Leeds Community Healthcare NHS

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As part of the School Health Surveillance Programme, children in Year 1 have their hearing screened in school. The hearing screen rules out any significant hearing loss. It is carried out by trained staff from the Community Audiology Service, Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust.

The screening staff will ask the school for your child's name, date of birth, address and telephone number (should we need to contact you).

The screen is quick to perform and involves your child playing a game whilst listening to sounds through headphones placed over their ears.

When we have screened your child's hearing, we will write to you with the result. If your child does not pass the screen we will contact you to arrange an appointment for your child to have a more detailed hearing check at a local health centre.

If your child is not in school on the day we attend to do the hearing screen, we will write to you and let you know.

If you do not want us to check your child's hearing, please contact us on the above telephone number or email school.hearingscreening@nhs.net to let us know.

Important information: Carrying out a hearing test on a child with a shunt (a surgically implanted device in the brain) may lead to a life-threatening situation. If your child has a shunt, please contact us at school.hearingscreening@nhs.net or call on 07957 331519 as soon as possible. We can then arrange for your child to have a different type of hearing test in one of our clinics.

Yours faithfully

The school hearing screening team

Community Audiology, Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust

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