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Dear parent/carers

Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA)

As your child has joined Reception this academic year, they will be taking part in the Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA) over the next four weeks. This is a national assessment that will be administered to pupils in Reception classes in all schools in England. The assessment will provide a snapshot of where pupils are when they arrive at school, establishing a new starting point to measure the progress they have made by the end of Year 6.

The RBA is a short, practical assessment focusing on pupils' early literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills and uses resources and materials that are typically found in a Reception classroom. The assessment will be carried out one-to-one at school and does not require any preparation at home.

As a school our aim is to ensure that undertaking this baseline is as enjoyable and relaxed for your child as possible. There is no pass mark or score and your child should not realise they're doing an assessment.

An information leaflet about the RBA can be found at https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/sys/uploads/attachment_data/file/1074327/2022_Information_for_parents_reception_baseline_assessment.pdf

If you have any questions about the RBA, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Your sincerely,



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