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Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted that your children have settled so well into their Reception classes this week with many coming in very confidently. The staff team have shared how independent they have been and how they have engaged enthusiastically in the all of the activities offered.

All Reception classes start the year with a baseline assessment of the children's strengths and we will be completing these over the next few weeks. This year we are piloting the new resources for the statutory baseline assessment that will be provided to all schools from September 2020.

A range of simple resources will be used including picture cards and maths shapes and your child will spend approximately 2 x 10 minutes with their teacher, talking and discussing the tasks. The children will be relaxed and given opportunity to demonstrate their understanding and this is an excellent opportunity for some quiet time with their teacher. We will use the outcomes to plan our next steps over the coming weeks.

The outcomes will be collected by the government but will not be reported on. They will only be used to measure our school progress to Year 6 and this will eventually allow the removal of the Key Stage 1, Year 2 statutory assessments.

Please be reassured that we are not introducing any additional testing into our Reception year as baseline assessments have always been completed in a relaxed and supportive manner.

If you do have any questions regarding the baseline, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or make an appointment to see me.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Hughes