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Dear Parents/Carers

Reception Baseline Assessment - September 2022

Alongside schools up and down the country, we will be undertaking the Reception Baseline Assessment over the next two weeks. The Reception Baseline Assessment was introduced last year as a national assessment that is administered in all primary, infant and first schools across England to children in Reception classes.

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 KS2 in Year 6. It is a short (approximately 20 minutes), practical assessment focusing on their early literacy, communication, language and mathematical skills.

A member of the Reception or Senior Leadership team will be carrying out the assessment one-to-one with each child, any time within the first six weeks of Reception. It does not require any preparation at home or at school and will help us to understand what your child can do at the beginning of their time here at Arundel Court and help us to meet their next steps in learning.

It is important to note that this is not a pass or fail assessment and the results will not be published. If you wish to find out more, please follow the link to a short video explaining the assessment further.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qIJFI8NJwe8

You will also find more information about the Reception Baseline in a document published from the Standards & Testing Agency.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/10743 27/2022 Information for parents reception baseline assessment.pdf

Kind Regards

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