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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Dyslexia and Literacy Screening

As part of our ongoing commitment to identifying and supporting the individual learning needs of all pupils, all pupils in Year 3-6 will be completing a dyslexia and literacy screener.

The purpose of this screening is to help us develop a better understanding of each child's cognitive and literacy profile, including their individual strengths and any areas where they may experience barriers to learning. The screener may look at skills associated with literacy development, such as reading, spelling and receptive language.

It is important to emphasise that **this screening does not provide a diagnosis of dyslexia**. A screening assessment is designed to identify patterns of strengths and difficulties that may indicate that a child would benefit from additional support, further monitoring or, where appropriate, further assessment.

The information gathered will help school staff to:

- better understand your child's individual learning profile;
- identify possible barriers to reading, spelling and literacy development;
- recognise areas of strength alongside areas of difficulty;
- plan appropriate classroom strategies, interventions or reasonable adjustments where needed;
- monitor progress and consider whether any further assessment or support may be beneficial.

The screening will be carried out in a supportive and child-friendly manner. Children will be reassured that this is not a test that they can pass or fail and that the purpose is simply to help us understand how they learn best.

Following the screening, we will use the information alongside our existing knowledge of each child, including their classroom learning, progress and teacher observations. Where the screening identifies areas that may require further investigation or support, we will discuss this with parents/carers as appropriate.

If you would **not like your child** to take part in the screening, please inform your child's class teacher by Friday 13th November 2026.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the screening process, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself as SENDCo.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Miss Craft