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Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA)

Dear Parents,

This year the Reception Baseline Assessment will be statutory in all maintained primary, infant and first schools in England from September 2021. It is a short, activity-based assessment of pupils' early mathematics, literacy, communication and language skills. The RBA is not about judging or labelling your child or putting them under any pressure. Your child cannot 'pass' or 'fail' the assessment. The purpose of the assessment is to provide the starting point for a new measure that will help parents understand how well schools support their pupils to progress between reception and Year 6 / the end of Key Stage 2.

The result of each child's RBA is later used in conjunction with the year group's Key Stage 2 SATs results for the Government to measure the overall progress primary schools make with their pupils. This will ensure primary schools are held to account and succeed in providing a good education for their pupils.

The RBA produces statements about your child's level of development which we will share with you at the end of the assessment period.

Attached is a parents' guide to the RBA. If you have any further questions or concerns about the RBA, please contact me via the School Office.

Many thanks

Miss Elsdon

EYFS lead