

Keeping an eye on your child's vision

Vision Screening



As part of the Before School check your child was screened for amblyopia (lazy eye) and is not thought to have this condition.

Not all vision problems are covered by this screening. Some children who passed this screen may have other vision problems or could develop a vision problem later.

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If your child has learning or reading difficulties, is clumsier than usual for their age, screws their eyes up or tilts their head to see, or has frequent headaches, this may mean he/she has a vision problem.

Your child will NOT have their vision checked again until they are in Year 7, so *if you are concerned about your child's vision or eyes it is important that you visit an optometrist or ophthalmologist.*

If your child does have a vision problem, finding it early is good for their learning and development.

If in doubt - check it out!

For further information about children's vision screening, or to download this brochure, visit the Ministry of Health website: <http://www.moh.govt.nz/b4schoolcheck> or call the free 24-hour health advice service, Healthline (0800 611 116).



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