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Student Eyecare Program

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The school is pleased to announce that it will be running a welfare initiative called the **Student Eyecare Program**. An optometrist will be onsite during school hours to provide students with a comprehensive eye examination. Each attendee will receive an individual report regarding the eye health and a prescription will be provided if glasses are required. The school will not have access to the individual report but will be notified if glasses were recommended. Please note that this service does not sell glasses and the prescription can be taken to any optical store.

The program's aim is to detect visual problems that may interfere with a student's learning abilities and subsequently hinder their academic potential. A significant number of students have visual problems that go undetected. The main visual issues that go undetected are **inadequate focusing** and **eye teaming abilities** that could lead to symptoms such as poor concentration, fatigue, headaches and unwillingness to read.

This eye health service is available to all students and is covered by Medicare Australia – so there is **no cost** to the students. The form below is to be completed by the parent or guardian.

If you **do** wish for your child to participate in the program, please fill in the Medicare details and questionnaire below and **return** the form to the school by 4pm on **Wednesday 30th of October**.

Medicare Details

Name of student as appearing on card: _____ Class: _____

Valid to: / Date of Birth: /

Medicare number:

List number on the left of your child's name: (eg. 1, 2, 3 or 4):

Parent's Signature (to agree to Medicare Bulk Billing): _____ Date: _____

Please tick the appropriate boxes in this short questionnaire

My child experiences...	Never	Sometimes	Frequently	Always
Headaches with near work				
Words run together when reading				
Burn, itchy, watery eyes				
Skips/repeats lines when reading				
Difficulty when copying from board				
Avoids near work/reading				
Skips words when reading				
Trouble keeping attention when reading				
Has poor reading comprehension				
Is falling behind in class				