January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Reception Online Health Assessment**

Now that your child has started school I would like to welcome you to the Public Health Nursing 5-19 Service (School Nursing) which is here to support you and your child during their time attending a state funded, main stream school.

To assist us in giving the correct support that you and your child need, we would like you to complete an online health assessment for your child. This enables us to respond to any identified health needs of your child. Further online health assessments will be offered to children in year 6 and year 9.

The online health assessment asks about several aspects of your child’s life that can impact on their health such as lifestyle and behaviour. This enables our skilled public health nursing team to make an assessment of your child’s needs. We may then contact you to discuss your concerns and offer support and advice in areas you identify.

The assessment is confidential between you and the school nurse team and, if necessary, we can undertake further assessments and refer you and your child to other specialist children’s services. There is further information on our website about the services we offer:

<https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-services/school-nursing>

Although anonymous information may be shared, (for example information about lifestyle choices and behaviour) with other agencies to improve services, all personal information collected from this questionnaire will be treated as confidential and held securely to meet with data protection requirements. Information regarding how this data is stored by Hertfordshire Community NHS trust can be found here:

<https://www.hct.nhs.uk/about-us/data-protection-and-your-information/>

The assessment can be completed from 6th January 2020 until 24th February 2020 after which time the assessment portal will be closed. We would encourage you to complete this as soon as possible so we can offer any additional support that your child may require.

To access the online questionnaire please follow the link below:

 <https://hertfordshire.hapi-system.com/school-entry>

 PASSWORD – Inspire1

password:

If you would like to know more about the online questionnaires please see [The Lancaster Website.](https://www.thelancastermodel.co.uk/)

Yours faithfully



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**For general health advice for you and your child please see our website:**



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