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Our Vision

To be a learning community that promotes the unique gifts, wellbeing and potential of every person. Our work is founded on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, building on His message of equality, peace and justice, guided by His words 'As I have loved you, so you must love one another' (John 13:34).

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Dear Parents/Carers,

NUFFIELD EARLY LANGUAGE INTERVENTION (NELI)

We are delighted to share with you some fantastic news.

As part of an initiative funded by the Department for Education in response to Covid-19, our school is being offered access to a programme called Nuffield Early Language Intervention (NELI). The programme is designed for reception pupils and involves providing targeted small group and one-to-one support for children who would benefit from additional support with their language and early literacy skills.

The NELI programme begins with the assessment of all our reception pupils using a tablet-based assessment called LanguageScreen. This assessment is to help us understand who may benefit most from receiving the NELI intervention. LanguageScreen is a short (approx. 10 minutes) fun activity for children which gives useful information about children's language skills. The assessment is used again at the end of the school year to help us see how children's language skills have benefited from the NELI intervention.

To implement the assessment the school needs to upload information about our reception pupils to LanguageScreen. LanguageScreen's data privacy statement, detailing how data is collected and used, can be accessed [here](#).

We hope you are as excited as we are about this wonderful opportunity for our reception children. If you have any concerns, or do not wish your child to be assessed using LanguageScreen, please let us know.

Best wishes,

Susanne Rowe
EYFS Lead

