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THOMAS MITCHELL PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parent/Guardian,

The school is pleased to announce that it will be running a welfare initiative called the **Student Eyecare Program**, later in term 2 and possibly during term 3. An optometrist will be onsite during school hours to provide students with a comprehensive eye examination. This will be done by appointment only and typically takes up to 20 minutes (Parents do not need to be present at this appointment). Each attendee will receive an individual report regarding the eye health and a prescription will be provided if glasses are required. 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 and returned to the school office by **Thursday 4th May 2017**.

If you do wish for your child to participate in the program, please fill in the medicare details below and return the form to the school office or your child's class teacher by Thursday 4th May 2017

I **DO WISH** that my child's eyes be examined as part of the **Student Eyecare Program**.

Medicare Details

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

Valid to: / Date of Birth: / /

Medicare number:

List Number on Left Of your Name: (eg. 1, 2, 3 or 4):

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