COPTHORNE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

19th September 2018

Dear Parents

Hearing Tests

On Wednesday 3rd October we have arranged for Lucinda Ellis, a registered audiologist, to visit the school to perform hearing tests for children in the Pre-Prep & Nursery. Mrs Ellis visited us last year and performed hearing tests for many of our children; however, you may be new to the school, or wish to have your child's hearing re-checked; all are welcome!

The main reason for testing is to check for temporary, or conductive hearing loss in children, the most common of this being Glue Ear (Otitis Media with Effusion). This can affect many children at different stages and is not always easy to detect especially if only one ear is affected. Often a hearing loss can go unnoticed until a child either complains or shows a lack of concentration in class.

Hearing will be tested with headphones. However, for children who are showing raised hearing levels, a pressure test is then done to check the middle ear for any congestion (glue ear).

Please complete and return the slip below if you would like your child to have his / her hearing tested. Parents will be given the results and if necessary these can be taken to the GP for a referral to the local NHS Audiology department. The cost for the hearing screen is £22 which will be added to your end of term bill.

Best wishes,

Susie Swadling

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Head of Nursery & Pre-Prep

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Child's name: D.O.B

Is there any parental concern with regard to hearing? Y/N

Is there any history of hearing problems? Y/N If Y please give details:

I give my consent for (child's name) to have his / her hearing tested at school.

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