

KIDS NEED VISION TESTS TOO

Your child is invited to attend a free routine vision screening appointment. This service is for children at 4-5 years of age, and since there are no school eye tests in this area, this is the only eye test routinely provided for young children locally.

Why Does My Child Need An Eye Test?

There are a number of conditions which cannot be detected without a formal eye test and which will not be noticed by a parent or health visitor. It is very important that these conditions are picked up at an early age so that treatment can be started quickly.

The eye test is performed by an orthoptist who is trained to identify eye problems and is particularly experienced in dealing with young children.

The test takes around 10-15 minutes and can detect reduced sight, eye muscle imbalance and 'lazy eyes'.

If your child is age 4-5 years and has not yet been invited for an eye test, or you have been contacted before and didn't take up the invite but would like to now, please either telephone **020 8296 3825** or email **est-tr.Eyescreening@nhs.net** and the team will be happy to make an appointment for your child.

Clinics run at St Helier Hospital, Jubilee Health Centre - Wallington,
Patrick Doody Clinic - Wimbledon and Polyclinic - Mitcham.