Letter to Teacher: Patching

Dear [Teacher's Name],

I am writing to thank you in advance for your supporting [Child’s Name] as they undergo an important treatment for their vision. Your help in ensuring they wear their eye patch at school is greatly appreciated.

They have a condition called amblyopia, which means the vision in one of their eyes has not developed properly. Wearing an eye patch over their stronger eye encourages the weaker eye to improve.

Here are a few key details to help:

* [Child’s Name] will wear the patch over their [Left/Right] eye.
* They will come to school with the patch on, and the time it should be removed is [time to remove eye patch].
* If you notice them peeking around the patch, please stick it down firmly or replace it with a new one if needed.

When wearing the patch, you may observe:

* Increased clumsiness or difficulty with catching and fine motor tasks.
* More challenges with handwriting, colouring or reading.
* A tendency to tilt or turn their head, which is not a concern.
* Frustration, fatigue or change in behaviour.

To help, you might:

* Allow extra time for tasks, especially reading.
* Encourage finger-pointing or offer larger print for reading.
* Seat them at the front-middle for better visibility and provide verbal assistance during whiteboard work.
* Offer reassurance and positive reinforcement to boost their confidence.

If you have concerns about their progress or adjustment, please don’t hesitate to reach out to their parents, who will inform their orthoptist. For further information and resources, scan the QR code below.

Thank you for your help with this critical part of their treatment. Your support makes a big difference in their success!

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
[Contact Information]