

Phonics Workshops



Dear Parents & Carers

During June this year, children in Y1 across the country will undergo the **Phonics Screening Check**.

Children will be asked to read 40 words aloud – both real and nonsense words. We use nonsense words quite a bit in our literacy teaching - non-words are important to include, because words such as 'vap' or 'jound' are new to all children. Children cannot read the non-words by using their memory or vocabulary; they have to use their decoding skills. Therefore, this is a fair way to assess their ability to decode, but being able to decode words are not the only strategies children use to read and some children struggle with their confidence in this.

Children in Y2 who did not meet the threshold in Y1 and children new to school will also be checked.

The Y1 Team and I will be holding two Phonics Workshops on Monday 14th March at 9am and 2:45pm. It is really important that you attend one of these sessions.

We have prepared a Phonics Goody Bag with lots of resources to help your child. The children are really excited about these!

We will be giving the goody bags out at the meetings.

See you there

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