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Dear Parents and Carers,

During the week commencing 6 June, we will be administering the Phonics Screening Check with each Year 1 child.

The phonics screening check is a National check taken by all Year 1 pupils. It is a quick and easy check of your child's phonics knowledge and progress. The check links very well with the Read, Write, Inc. teaching that your child receives and their daily phonics work is very similar to the words they will encounter in the screening.

The check normally takes just a few minutes to complete and there is no time limit. It is carefully designed not to be stressful for your child.

We will inform you about how your child has done in the screening towards the end of July when all the scores have been submitted and a national pass mark set. All children are individuals and develop at different rates so any children who have not met the standard in Year 1 will continue to receive extra support and will then retake the check in Year 2.

Whilst the children read and apply their sounds throughout their school day, it would be beneficial to them to read the Set 2 and Set 3 phonics cards at home, daily over the next 2 weeks. These sound cards are on our Year 1 website page and will only take your child 5 or 10 minutes a day to read through.

If you have any questions regarding the Phonics Screening Check please do not hesitate to ask me.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs. Rebecca Olive

(Literacy Lead)