

YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING CHECK MEETING

Monday 24th April



WHAT IS THE PHONICS SCREENING CHECK?

All Y1 children in the country take the check in June.

This year it takes place during the week beginning Monday 12th June.

Some Y2 children who didn't achieve the pass mark in Y1 will also take the check.

It's designed by the government to confirm whether children are able to use their phonics knowledge to sound out and blend familiar and unfamiliar words.

DURING THE CHECK...

There are some examples on tables for you to see.

Each check has 40 words- 20 real and 20 pseudo words (alien words).

Each child will sit 1:1 with a familiar teacher and read the words.

There is no time limit- they have as long as they need but they usually take about 10 minutes.

PSEUDO WORDS

Sometimes called alien words because they always have a picture of an alien next to them. The children may think of It as the alien's 'silly' name.

These are included to check whether the children can use their phonics knowledge to read unfamiliar words.

We really encourage the children to sound them out and blend carefully to ensure children don't try to make sense of them (e.g. spraw- straw)

Example Of The Check

Practice sheet: Real Words

beg

at

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sum

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in

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Example Of The Check

Practice sheet: Pseudo Words



REPORTING TO PARENTS

Each year so far, the pass mark has been 32/40.

We send home your child's results with their school report at the end of the year.

Children who do not achieve the expected level, will have some extra support and retake the check in Y2.

How Can I Help My Child At Home?

- Play lots of sound and listening games with your child.
- Read as much as possible to and with your child.
- Encourage and praise get them to have a 'good guess'.



How Can I Help My Child At Home?

Use Phonics Screening resources on our class web pages.

Encourage children to look for the digraphs and trigraphs.

If they see an 'e' at the end of a word, check for the split digraphs!

Phase 5 flashcards sheet to take home if you want to help your child remember the sounds that may be in the screening.

Highlighted sounds are the ones lots of children find tricky to remember!