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Thursday 6th February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Year 1 children will be completing a phonics screening check during the week beginning **8th June**. In this check the children are given a list of 'real' words and 'alien words' (made up words) that they need to sound out and blend correctly. This is nothing to worry about as the children learn everything they need to within their phonics sessions at school and this learning is also reflected in their class work when spelling out words and reading in other lessons.

The phonics screening check is carried out to see the progress the children have made throughout the Reception and Year 1 years at school and for the school to analyse their own performance in how they deliver phonics lessons. Parents/Carers will find out by the end of the Summer Term their child's results and if they do not achieve the expected level to pass the check, they can retake the test again in Year 2.

To add to the activities the children can do, to practice their reading of real and alien words, I will be sending home a different sheet of words to practice. This will be a sheet of paper with real and nonsense words and a space to tick whether they could or couldn't read the words.

We will be holding a phonics screening check information session for parents/carers to attend on Wednesday 12th February 2020 at 2.30pm to go over what the children do, what to expect, how further you can help your children and to talk about any queries you may have. If you are able to attend please complete the slip below so we can check numbers of parents/carers attending.

Please see a member of the Year 1 team if you have any questions or concerns at all about this.

Yours sincerely

Miss Hyde
Year 1 Class Teacher

Mrs D Reynolds
Head Teacher



Year 1-Parent/Carer Phonics Screening Check Information Session

Parent/Carer of _____

I **will/will not** be attending and I will need _____ seats for the parent/carer information session on Wednesday 12th February 2020.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer

