

## Dear Parents and carers

As you may be aware Y1 children are require to take part in a Phonics Screening Check each year as directed by the DFE. The Phonics Screening Check (PSC) is designed to confirm whether pupils have learnt phonic decoding to an appropriate standard. It will identify pupils who need extra help to improve their decoding skills. The check consists of 20 real words and 20 pseudo-words – known to the children as alien words.

The screening will take place during the week commencing **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June.** The children will do the test with a school adult, usually their teacher.

In school we have phonics lessons 3 times a week plus some extra focus lessons, these all help the children to learn all of the phonics sounds they need to.

To help all children be as successful as they can be we would really appreciate some extra practise at home where possible. Just spending 5-10 mins a day going over the sounds would be really useful.

We have attached some resources that could help you to do this. I hope you will be amazed by what your children know!

Regards

The Y1 team