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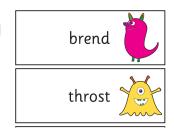
Thursday 22nd February 2024

Dear Year 1 Families,

Re Phonics Screening Check

Every year in June, Year 1 children across the country complete a Phonics Screening Check. This will take place during the week beginning Monday 10th June.

During the Phonics Screening Check, children are asked to read 40 words aloud. The words are a combination of real words and 'alien' words. 'Alien' words are not real but can be decoded phonetically. These are included to ensure that children are using their decoding skills.



Your child will sit the test with a familiar member of staff. The pass rate for the Phonics Screening Check is 32 and above.

We would like to invite you to find out more about the Phonics Screening Check and pick up some tips on how to support your child at home. We welcome you to come to our information session on **Tuesday 19th March** in the top hall at **9.05am**. This will be followed by a short **Phonics Taster Session** in your child's class. Here you will be able to see how phonics is taught by our teachers and the strategies used to support your child in decoding words.

I look forward to seeing you then.

Kind regards,

Sanaa Ermak Early Reading Lead

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