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Friday 15th May

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 1 Phonic Screening Check and Year 2 retake

The statutory phonics screening check will take place during the week commencing 15th June. It is really important that your child is in school that week. The purpose of the Year 1 phonics check is to confirm whether individual pupils have learnt phonic decoding to an appropriate standard. Pupils who have not reached this standard at the end of Year 1 will receive support from school to ensure they can improve their phonic decoding skills. Pupils will then have the opportunity to retake the screening check at the end of Year 2.

The check will take the form of a ten page booklet with four words on each page. The check will contain 40 words, which pupils read one-to-one with a teacher they know. Half the words will be real words and the other half will be non-words (pseudo/alien words). Each pseudo word will be accompanied by a picture of an alien. This is used to provide the children with a context for the word they are being asked to decode (naming the imaginary/alien creature). All letters will be lower case. Pupils who can read non-words should have the skills to decode any unfamiliar word. Non-words are included to make sure the check assesses phonic decoding as intended.

It would be much appreciated if you could come to All Saints on Thursday 21st May at 3.40pm, for a short meeting regarding the screening. We will provide some resources to help your child's sound recognition that you will be able to take home. It really is so important that we can see you, so if you cannot make it, please inform us so that we can communicate to you in another way.

In the meantime here are some links you may find helpful: Correct Articulation of Phonemes:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BqhXUW_v-1s

Phonics Games and activities:

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.htm>

Many thanks for your continued support

Tory Hosegood and Lisa Regan

Please return to Miss Hosegood

Confirmation of Attendance to Year 1 Phonics Parents Session

I / We will be / will not be able to attend the Yr 1 Phonics Parents session on Thursday 21st May at 3.40pm

Print Name..... Signature.....

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