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Dear Parent / Carer

Re: National Phonics Screening Test

We are writing to inform you about the National Phonics Screening Test which will take place in Year 2 during November.

Who takes the test?

This year, all children in Year 2 will be taking the test. In the past, this screening test has been done at the end of Year 1; however, due to Covid it has moved to the autumn term of Year 2 for this academic year.

What is the phonics screening check?

It comprises a list of 40 words that children read one-to-one with a teacher. The list is a combination of both real and non-words, which rely purely on using phonics to decode. The non-words are words that have been made up and will be shown with a picture of an imaginary creature to help them. The children will largely be unaware of it being a test and have already participated in some practice ones in Year 1.

Currently, your child is participating in daily phonics sessions, so any extra support from home would be great. Please ask your class teacher if you are unsure about how to support your child with their phonics.

Kind Regards

Mrs Ryan and Miss Lewis Year 2 Class Teachers

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