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Dear Parents and Carers,

After May half term, the Year One children will be undertaking their Phonics Screening Check.

Therefore, I wanted to remind you of the importance of home learning. The children and staff have been putting in lots of support at school throughout the year and we now need your help in the last 6 weeks before the half term to ensure that the children get as much practice at home as possible to support their learning in school.

You will have been receiving weekly emails with links for phonics videos for the children to watch and we request that you watch and re-watch multiple times to help the children practice. There have also been slips with QR codes with links to Phonics Screening Check practice words sent home weekly. These is what the check will look like for the children so is a great tool to help them prepare. We are aiming for the children to be able to read all of those words.

The children have made good progress since the start of the year and this is the last push before their assessment, which we hope will be an achievement for them all.

Please continue to watch the Read Write Inc videos, practice the QR code words, sounds, alien words and keep reading!

There is a video produced by Read Write Inc that explains the Phonics Screening Check for parents, so you can have a better understanding about what the children have been learning and what they are expected to achieve:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4XtDTwfjXM4&t=1s>

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Kay

Phonics Leader



