



Westlands Primary School

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VTP/ELB/Year 1/Phonics Screening

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Dear Parents and Carers

In the summer term the children in year 1 will take part in the statutory phonics screening check.

The national phonics screening test was introduced in 2012 to all year 1 pupils. It is a short, statutory assessment to confirm whether individual pupils have learnt phonic decoding to an appropriate standard. It aims to identify the children who need extra help so that they can be given support by school to improve their reading skills. At Westlands Primary School we already identify children and provide early intervention and support, however we must comply with this statutory requirement.

It comprises of a list of 40 words and non-words, which a child will read one-to-one with a teacher. Half of the words cover phonic skills which are usually covered in Reception, and half of the words are based on year 1 phonics skills.

We have been doing a lot to support children ready for this screening check and would like to show you how we deliver our phonics sessions so you can help our son/daughter at home. As a school we have invested a lot of time and money into the Read Write Inc Phonics Programme. It is taught from year R until the children are confident enough to come off of the programme.

We would like to offer a workshop where we will talk through the delivery of phonics sessions and answer any questions you may have as parents. The workshop will start at 9:00am on Wednesday 14th March. If you would like to attend, please complete the slip at the bottom of this page and return it to your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards

Mrs Pettett
Head of School



Year 1 Phonics Workshop for parents - Wednesday 14th March – 9:00am

Child's Name: _____
(Please print name)

Child's Class: _____

I would like to attend the Phonics Workshop on Wednesday 14th March at 9:00am.

Signed: _____ (Parent/carer)

Please Print Name: _____

Date: _____