



Bapchild & Tonge CE (Aided) Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents/Carers,

In Year 1 the children are expected to complete a **phonics screening check in June**. The phonics screening check is designed to confirm whether individual children have learnt phonic decoding and blending skills to an appropriate standard. The test contains 40 words. Each child will sit one to-one and read each word aloud to a teacher. The list of words the children read is a combination of 20 real words and 20 pseudo words (nonsense words).

We do lots of work to prepare and support the children in school, however any support you can give your children at home is massively beneficial.

Attached are some resources you can use at home to support your child. It includes all of the sound mats we use in class that the children have learnt. These can be used to practice the sounds and for support during reading.

Additionally, there is a phonics parent meet on Monday 27th April at 2:30pm. It is highly recommended that you attend the meeting as it will explain more about the phonics screening and give additional ways for you to support your child/ren.

Yours sincerely,

C Martin

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Miss Martin
Head of English / Year 3 Teacher

Miss White
Year 1 Teacher