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Dear Year 1 Parents,

Phonics Workshop for Year 1 Parents

Thursday 7th March 6.30 - 7.30pm

Some of you may be aware that a few years ago the Government introduced a Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 children. This is completed in a week in June each year and takes about 5 minutes for each child. It involves each child reading a list of 40 words, 20 real words and 20 non-words, all made up of phonic sounds they have been learning during the year.

We thought it would be useful to share with parents what is involved and to help you understand that it is nothing for you or your child to worry about. We would also like to share with you the phonic sounds your child is learning and needs to know by the end of Year 1. We know that phonics is something that lots of parents didn't learn at school and parents often feel worried about this - particularly some of the terminology the children need to understand and use e.g. split digraph!

We would like to do this in a practical way where you can come and try some of the activities the children do to learn phonics (or watch others try them if you feel a little worried!).

It would be great if you could join us for this session - you really need to hear the phonic sounds to understand how you can support your child at home - reading written notes is not quite the same!!

Please could you complete the slip below and return to the School Office by **Monday 4th March** so that we have an idea of numbers for the workshop. Obviously, you are also welcome to just turn up if you are not sure yet whether you are able to come. The workshop will be held in the School Hall. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

K. Greenway

Child's Name _____

Class _____

I/We will be attending the phonics workshop on Thursday 7th March 6.30 - 7.30pm

I/We are unable to attend the phonics workshop