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## Year 1 Phonics Screening 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

All children within Year 1 will take part in a statutory **Year 1 Phonics Screening Check**. This will take place between:

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

**In order to ensure consistency, I will be administering these tests to the children.**

What happens in the Phonics Screening Check?

The test is designed to assess your child's reading skills via 40 words split into two sections. Each section consists of 10 real words and 10 pseudo-words (non-sense or 'alien words'). These pseudo words are included because your child will need to be able to use their phonic knowledge and decoding skills to be able to read any word they come across as they progress within the school.

Our phonic programme in school is Little Wandle and the link below is especially for parents' information on how we teach phonics and about the Phonic Screening Check.

Little Wandle Letters & Sounds Revised website

[For parents - Letters and Sounds \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](http://littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk)

If you have any questions or queries, please contact the office.

Kind regards,

Mrs T Wood

Deputy Executive Head

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The Small School with Big Ideas*



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