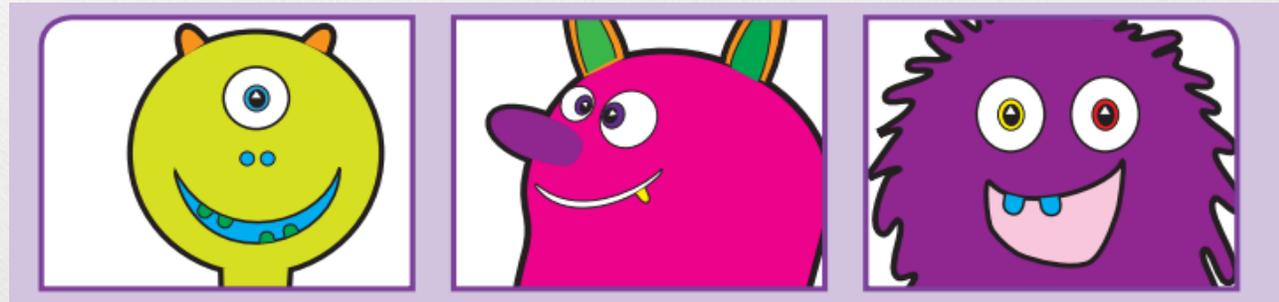


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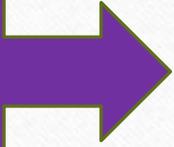
What is
it?

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The phonics screening check is a statutory check, completed by all Year 1 children. It is a way for teachers to ensure that children are making sufficient progress with their phonics skills to read words and that they are on track to become fluent readers, who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning.

What is
phonics?



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Children are taught to read by breaking down words into separate sounds or 'phonemes'. They are then taught how to blend these sounds together to read the whole word.

Children are taught phonics each day and they are encouraged to use these strategies to read and write in other lessons.

There are around 40 different sounds.



What is
the
phonic
screening
check?



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The phonics screening check will be taken individually by all children in Year 1 and any Year 2 children who didn't meet the requirements in the previous year. It is designed to give teachers and parents information on how each child is progressing in phonics. It will help to identify whether any child needs additional support at this stage so that they do not fall behind in this vital early reading skill.

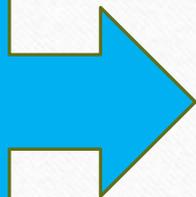
How is it
completed?

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There will be two sections in this 40-word check and it will assess phonics skills and knowledge learned through Reception and Year 1. Your child will read up to four words per page for their teacher and they will do the check in one sitting of about 5-10 minutes.

What will
it check?



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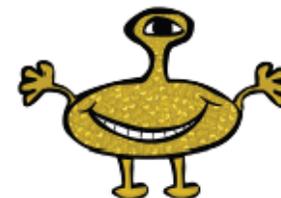


It will check that your child can:

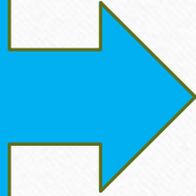
- Sound out and blend graphemes in order to read simple words.
- Read phonetically decodable one-syllable (e.g. cat, sand, crunch) and two-syllable words (e.g. laptop, windmill etc.)
- Read a selection of nonsense words which are referred to as pseudo words or alien words

at

vap



Why does
it check
alien
words?



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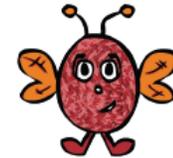


These are words that are phonetically decodable but are not actual words with an associated meaning e.g. brip, snorb. Pseudo words are included in the check specifically to assess whether your child can decode a word using phonics skills and not their memory.

beg

sum

osk



ect



When will
it take
place?

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The screening check usually takes place each year in June. The date is announced each year. It can take up to a week to complete the check for all children. The children cannot retake the check at any other time so it is very important your child is in school during this time.

How can I
help?

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- Let them see you enjoying reading
- Immerse your child in a love of reading
- Use pure sounds when practising phonics with your child
- Practise the sounds and activities on the mat in your pack
- Practise reading the words put on class dojo
- Refer to the glossary sheet if needed

Can you read all of the words?
Can you spot any digraphs in the words?

Phase 3: Teaching a new GPC and Reading W
rain

Phase 3: Teaching a new GPC and Reading W
fail

Phase 3: Teaching a new GPC and Reading W
tail

Phase 3: Teaching a new GPC and Reading W
wait

Phase 4: Reading words with adjacent consonants
jump

Phase 5: Teaching a new GPC and Reading Words
play

Children are used to seeing sound buttons to support them with reading.

We use **dashes** under digraphs and trigraphs.

We use **dots** under individual letter sounds.

We use an **“arch”** over split digraphs.



Reading routine:

- 1) Spot any digraphs/ trigraphs/split digraphs
- 2) Sound talk and blend to say the word

Thank
you

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Phonics is not the only thing needed to become a fluent reader. Please continue to read with your child each night and encourage them to:

- Sound out
- Re-read to check it makes sense.
- Use pictures for clues.
- Ask questions about the book.

And most importantly ENJOY READING!