



GREAT HOLLANDS

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Dear Parents and Carers

During June, your child will undertake the Phonics Screening Check (PSC). This is a short nation-wide check that all Year 1 children across the country take, to see if they have developed the expected level of phonics knowledge at the end of Year 1.

We will be holding a short information meeting for all Year 1 parents on Thursday 25th April at 2.45pm and entry will be via the Silver Hall doors.

The meeting should give you an understanding of what the Phonics Screening Check is about and you will have the opportunity to ask any questions you have in relation to phonics.

Please complete our quick form so we know how many parents will be attending:

<https://forms.office.com/e/24k2EFY2yA>

We have also shared some information on our website which explain what the check involves and gives you examples. They will also tell you how you can best help your child.

[Parents>Parent Information Guides>Year 1](#)

You could play lots of games with them where they must blend sounds together – just like Fred Talk. These could be longer words like target, picnic, sleeping or they can be nonsense (alien) words such as joald or felb. Please tell them if it is a real or alien word before they try to blend it. They will be told this in the screening check in school.

The children should still read their books as usual, and this additional sound practice will help them to make even better progress.

If you have any questions or queries, please speak to Mrs Fifield or Ms York, and we will do our best to help you.

Yours sincerely

Ms N York
Deputy Headteacher