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Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Aims of the workshop

1. To understand how we teach phonics in school to Year 1.

2. To understand what the Phonics Screening Check is.

3. To know how to help your child at home prepare for the Phonics Screening Check.

Phonics in Year 1

Phonics is taught daily in Year 1 in the following way:

8.55am-9.15am – 20 minute fast-paced phonics lesson. The children are split into 4 ability groups (no more than 16 in a group) to ensure the lessons are tailored to each child.

Additional phonics input to prepare for the Screening Check:

12.55pm-1.05pm – daily 10 minute fast-paced recap of the morning including recapping all sounds and tricky words.

Friday 9.15am-9.40am – targeted phonics screening interventions. Meanwhile, the children are playing phonics games.

What is the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check?

The National phonics screening check is a statutory assessment that was introduced in 2012 to all Year 1 pupils and is a quick and easy check of your child's phonics knowledge.

The Phonics Screening Check

- Held the week commencing Monday 11th June.
- Administered by Mr Barrand, Miss Presho, Mrs Southworth & Mrs Crane.
- Takes approximately 20 minutes per child.
- The children are well prepared for it in school.
- It is nothing new to the children .

The Phonics Screening Check

- Children are tested on 40 words – real words and pseudo words.

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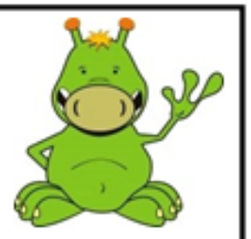
hooks	quemp 

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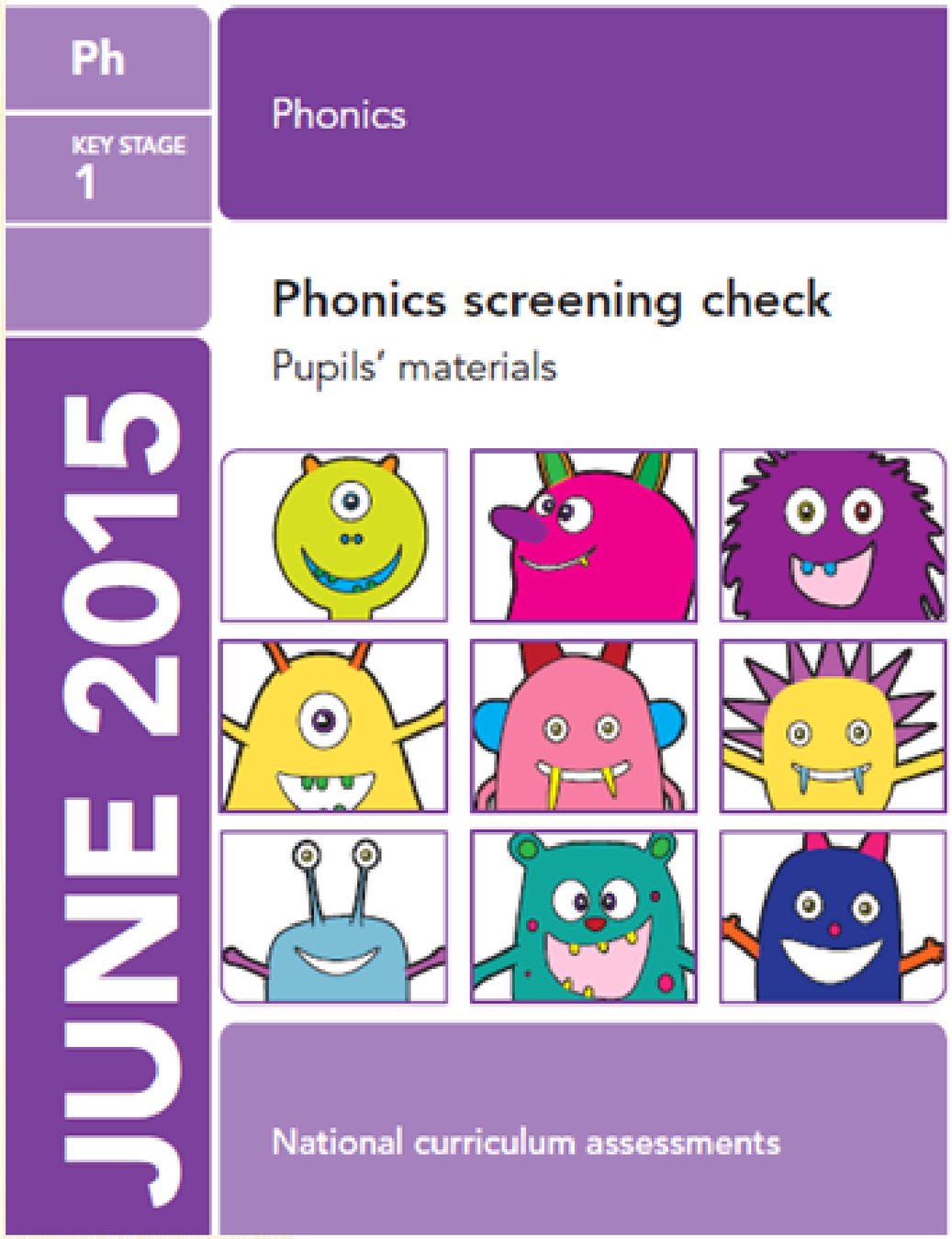

How you can help at home

- Helping your child with the phonics homework which will be coming home over the next few weeks.
- Reading a wide variety of books - Let your child see you enjoy reading yourself. They are influenced by you and what you do!
- Make time for your child to read their school book to you.
- With all books, encourage your child to ‘sound out’ unfamiliar words and then blend from left to right rather than looking at pictures to guess.

Phonics games

There are many phonic games for children to access on the computer too:

www.phonicsplay.co.uk
www.lettersandsounds.com

Good phonics apps:

Zat Phonics test
Zat Phonics screening check

Pass mark and results

- The pass mark is released on Monday 25th June once the check has been administered to all children.
- Results are submitted online to the Local Authority.
- You will receive the pass mark in your school reports on Tuesday, 26th June.

If your child does not reach the pass mark, do not worry! Intervention will be put in place for them in Year 2 and we will work to ensure they pass it next year.

Over the next two weeks we will let any parents know if we are concerned about your child.

If we are, we will provide you with extra resources to use at home to ensure they pass the phonics screening check.

Thank you!

Any questions?