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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are aware, in Term 6 (week beginning 10th June), your child will be taking their Year 1 phonics screening check.

The children have been working really hard and practising in school, but we feel that the children may benefit from doing a little bit of phonics over the half term break so that they are ready for the check, and they don't forget their learning over the holiday. Here are some fun games that the children can play which might help. Also, it would be really beneficial if you could spend some time looking at the sounds on the sound cards in your child's book bag if they have one.

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/odd-and-bob?phase=5>

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/phonics-frog?phase=5>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8wsIajrsZE> This helps children read 'alien' non-words.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/5/buried-treasure>

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/5/dragons-den>

Whilst we appreciate and agree that too much screen time for young children can be an issue, we feel that a few minutes reinforcing the sounds we are learning at school (little and often) will really help, especially if you know that your child may need some extra practice.

We would like to wish you a lovely half-term break and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Pass (Headteacher) and the Year 1 Teachers