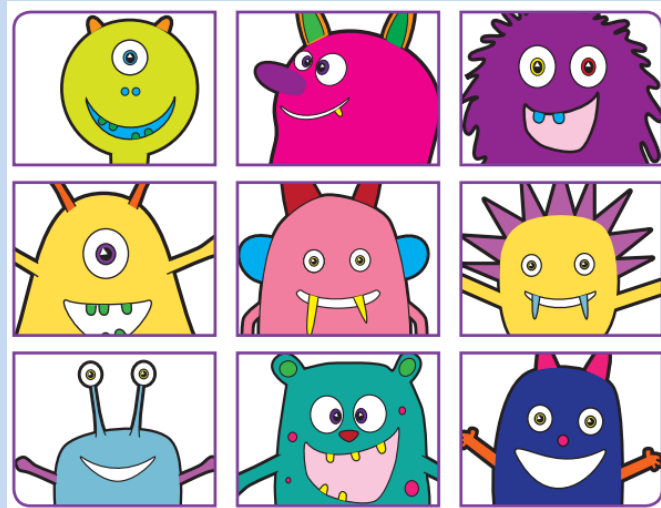


Phonics Screening Check



Information for Parents

The Phonics Screening Check was made compulsory in June 2012.

It was introduced as a way of assessing whether children have met the age appropriate standard in their ability to decode words using their phonic knowledge.

It will take place during the week beginning 13th June 2016.

The children will work one-to-one with Miss Bibby.

The children will be asked to read real words as well as nonsense words to check their decoding and blending skills.

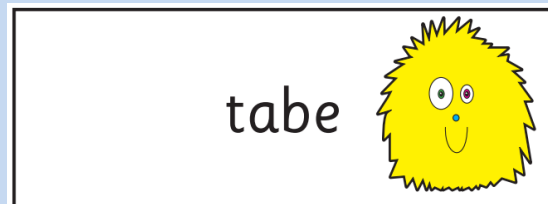
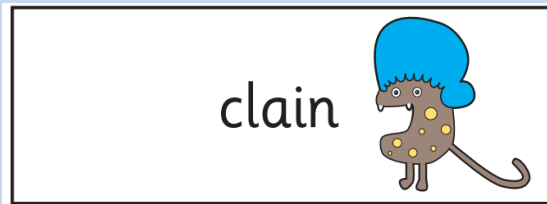
- The check consists of 40 words altogether.
- The children will read up to 4 words per page and the check usually takes between 10 -15 minutes.
- There are 20 real words which are a mix of high frequency words and more unusual words.

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short

- There are 20 nonsense words.
- The nonsense words are phonetically decodable but not actual words with an associated meaning.



The children either meet the standard or they don't.

The pass mark is not released until after the check has been administered.

Children who do not reach the level will receive extra support to ensure they can improve their decoding skills and will have the opportunity to retake the Phonics Screening Check at the end of Year 2.

How can I help my child?

- Read a variety of books, encouraging your child to 'sound out' unfamiliar words and then blend from left to right.

- Play games on the Phonics Play website

[\(http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/\)](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/)

Picnic on Pluto, Dragon's Den and Buried Treasure practise blending real and nonsense words

