



# Birches First School

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7<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, your child took part in the National Phonics Screening Check at the end of Year 1 and did not meet the required standard of 32/40 words. As this is a statutory assessment, any children who did not pass the screening check in Year 1 are required to re-take the check in Year 2. Your child will be taking the Phonics Screening Check in June.

During the check, your child will work one to one with a familiar adult to read 40 words using their phonic knowledge. The results of this will be shared with you in your child's end of year report.

To support your child, **we invite you to a short meeting to give you more information about the check and advice on how you can support your child in preparation for the check.** We have already carried out practise Phonics Screening Checks with the children and during this session, we will be able to give you more detailed information about specific areas to practise at home.

**The session will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 3.15pm.** Children are welcome to attend Birches After School Club during the meeting free of charge to enable you to attend if you are unable to arrange any other childcare.

This will be a very valuable session and we look forward to working together to support your children with this statutory assessment.

[Phonics Screening Meeting Survey](#)

Kind regards,

Mrs Buckley

Early Years Lead/ Early Reading Lead