



St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

'Doing our best for God'

Wednesday, 22nd May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a reminder, when we return from the school holidays, Year 1 children will have a Phonics Screening Check. During the week beginning Monday 10th June, the children will be given a Phonics Screening Check which will be administered in school by myself. The children have been preparing for this since starting school in the Reception Class and have had lots of opportunities to familiarise with the delivery of the check.

We try to keep the Phonics Screening Check as low key as possible so that the children do not feel any pressure. The check will take place on a one to one but the children will largely be unaware of it being a test as they have already participated in some practice ones. Please ensure your child is attending school, is on time and is prepared for the day with their water bottle after a good night sleep.

We will let you know the results as part of your child's end of year report during the summer term. If your child does not meet the expected standard in the check, they'll get to have another go next year and we will also tell you what support we have put in place to help him or her improve.

Do we need to prepare at home?

You can always help your child by:

- Reading with them and supporting them with their phonics homework
- Playing sound and reading games
- Teaching them new words, and showing them how they're written

If you have any further questions about the phonics screening check, please come and have a chat with me.

Yours sincerely
Miss Scarlett



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