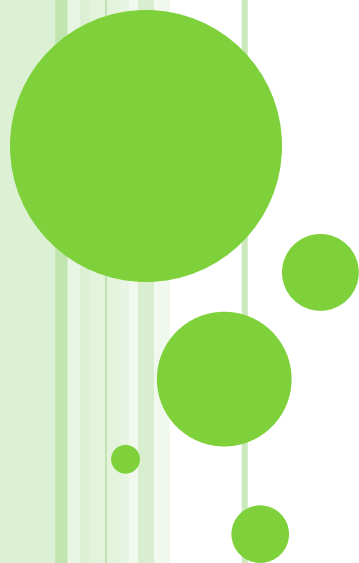




ELSTON HALL
Primary School

Year 1 Phonics Meeting



OUTLINE

- What is phonics?
- Digraphs, trigraphs and split digraphs
- Phonics screening check
- Results
- How can you help?
- Any questions













WHAT IS PHONICS?

- Phonics is a method of learning to read words that are taught right from the start of the Reception.
- Children are taught to read letters or groups of letters by saying the sound(s)/phonemes that they represent.
- Children can then start to read words by blending the sounds together to make a word.

- We have phonics x4 a week for 25mins a day.
- There are 44 different sounds (phonemes) that children are taught.



PHONEMES (SOUNDS)

a-e f-n o-s t-z Making sounds into words				
Sounds (phonemes)	Listen to the sounds	Letters that represent the sounds (graphemes)	Examples of the sounds in words	Listen to the sounds in words
a		a	ant	
ai		a, ai, ay, a-e, ey, ei, eigh, aigh	apron, rain, day, make, they, veil, weigh, straight	
ar		ar, a, al, are, au, ear	farm, father, calm, are, aunt, heart	
air		air, are, ear, ere	fair, care, bear, there	
b		b, bb	bat, rabbit	

This is a really useful website to help parents understand what phonics is.

www.oxfordowl.co.uk



ch chat	sh shut	th them	ng ring	nk sink	tch catch	oi boil	oy boy
ar star	er her	ur burn	ir girl	ow cow	ou cloud	ure pure	
or horn	aw saw	ore before	au haunted	ear hear	air fair	ear bear	are care
ai rain	ay play	a-e plane	ee feet	e-e even	ea bead	ie field	y sunny
igh night	ie tie	i-e kite	oa boat	oe toe	o-e bone	ow snow	ing helping
ew flew	ue blue	u-e cute	ou group	oo moon	oo look	ph phonics	wh when
ed (id) hunted	ed (d) buzzed	ed (t) jumped	es bushes	s toys	un unfit	est slowest	ea head

PHONICS SCREENING

- Every Year 1 child in the country will be taking the phonics screening check in the same week in June.
- This year it is wb. 8th June.
- It is designed to give teachers and parents information on how your child is progressing in phonics and it will help to identify whether your child needs additional support.
- There are 2 sections in this 40 word check and it assesses phonic skills and knowledge learned through Reception and Year 1.



PHONICS SCREENING

- The check is very similar to tasks the children already complete during phonics lessons.
- Children will be asked to 'sound out' a word and blend the sounds together e.g. d-o-g ... dog.
- There are 40 words for the children to read.
- The focus of the check is to see which sounds the children know and therefore the children will be asked to read made up 'nonsense' words.

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PHONICS SCREENING

- The children will complete the check one at a time in a quiet area of the school.
- The screening will only take between 5-10 minutes with each child however the children are under no obligation to complete the task in any set amount of time.
- Once all children have completed the check, the data will be submitted.
- Pass rate in last year's test was 33 out of 40 correct however this could rise to 34.
- You will be notified whether your child has met the expected standard and if they don't, they will have the opportunity to retake the test in Year 2.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Say each sound in the word from left to right.
- Blend the sounds by pointing to each letter i.e. /b/ in bat or letter group, i.e. /igh/ in light – as you say the sound, then run your finger under the whole word as you say it.
- Talk about the meaning if your child does not understand the word they have read.
- Work at your child's pace.
- Always be positive and give lots of praise and encouragement.



EASTER HOMEWORK

Real Words	
zoo	coin
sight	photo
cloud	skate
whip	flute
oyster	straw
burger	first
text	graph
handshake	script
shelf	glass
drawing	haircut

Nonsense Alien Words	
woid 	shrop 
ump 	quape 
proy 	smizz 
yaup 	blinch 
thisk 	snoul 
phode 	luft 
scund 	whunkey 
froe 	prinker 
spirl 	thunk 
cobweeb 	grelt 

Lots of
real and
nonsense
words to
read.



Thank you for your time

Questions?

