Mundesley Infant and Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am just writing to let you know that over the next two weeks, Mundesley Infant School pupils will be taking their Phonics Screening Check (PSC). The PSC is a short, statutory assessment to check how well children can use their phonics skills to decode words. Children who did not take the check in Year 1, or who did not meet the standard in year 1 last year, will take it again in Year 2. If you have received this letter then your child will be taking the check.

How does it work?

- Your child will be asked to read 40 words aloud to a familiar adult.
- Some words will be real, others will be made-up (to check phonetic decoding).
- There is no time limit and it only takes a few minutes.
- The check is designed to be low-pressure and child-friendly.

Results

As part of your child's end of year report, we will include the outcome of their PSC. To meet the expected standard, children need to score at least 32 out of 40.

Children who do not meet the standard will receive additional phonics support in Year 2 to help them make further progress. These children will then re-sit the PSC this time next year, at the end of Year 2.

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

Claire Pateman
Head of Schools MIJS