

# Year One Phonics Screening Check

**INFORMATION SESSION FOR PARENTS** 

### WHAT WE WILL COVER TODAY

- Phonics at Broke Hall.
- What is the phonics screening check?
- What happens during the phonics screening check?
- Pseduo (alien) words.
- Reporting to parents.
- Questions.

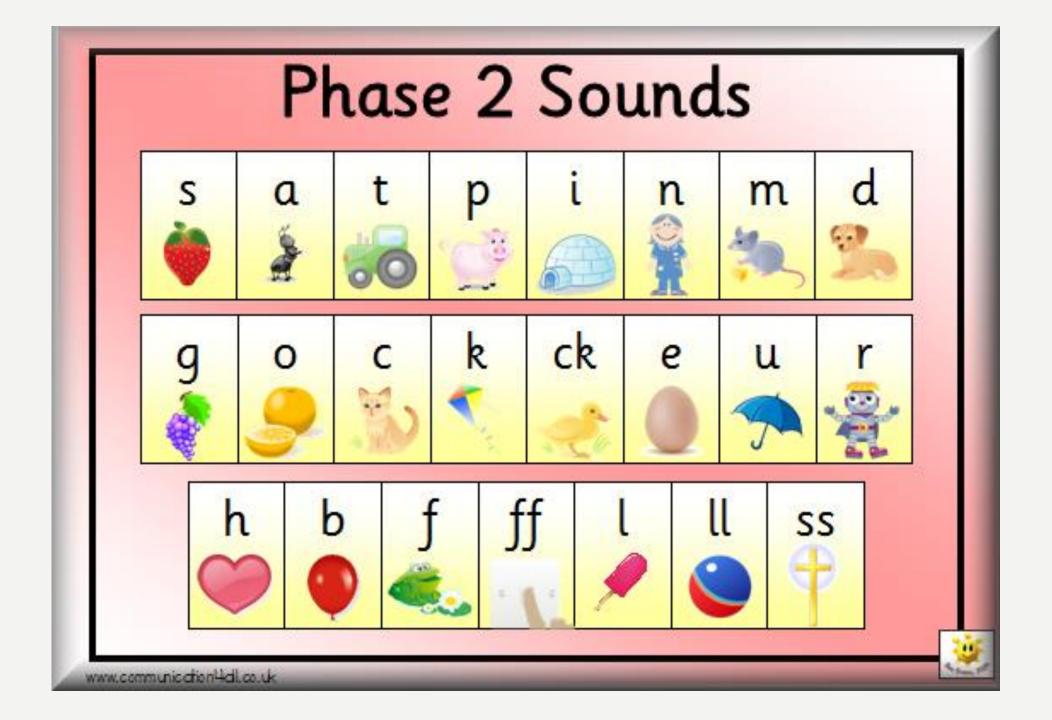


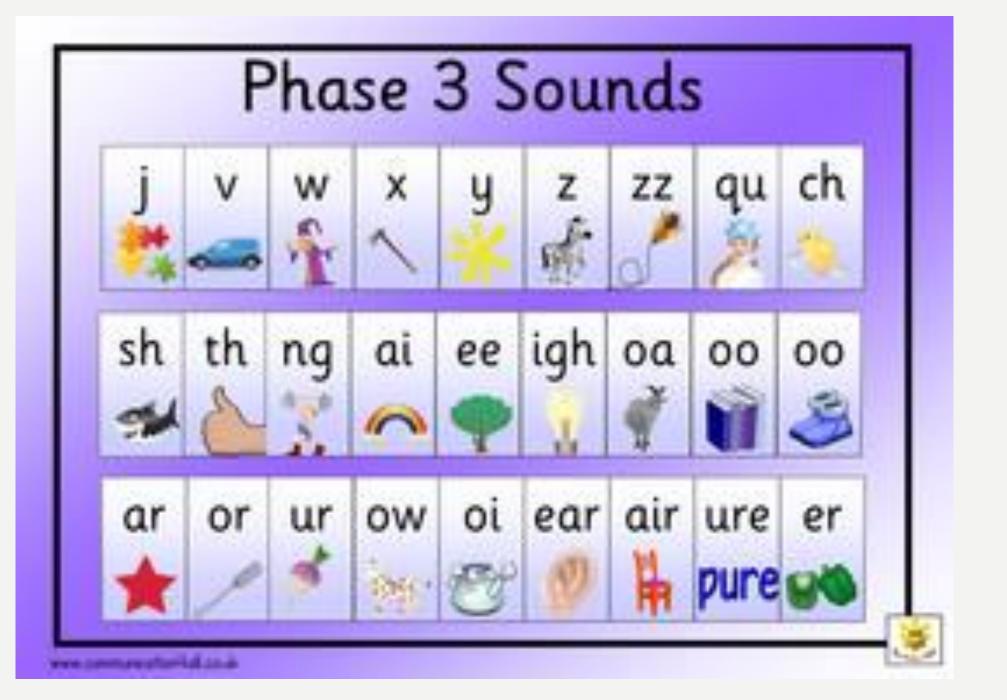
## PHONICS AT BROKE HALL

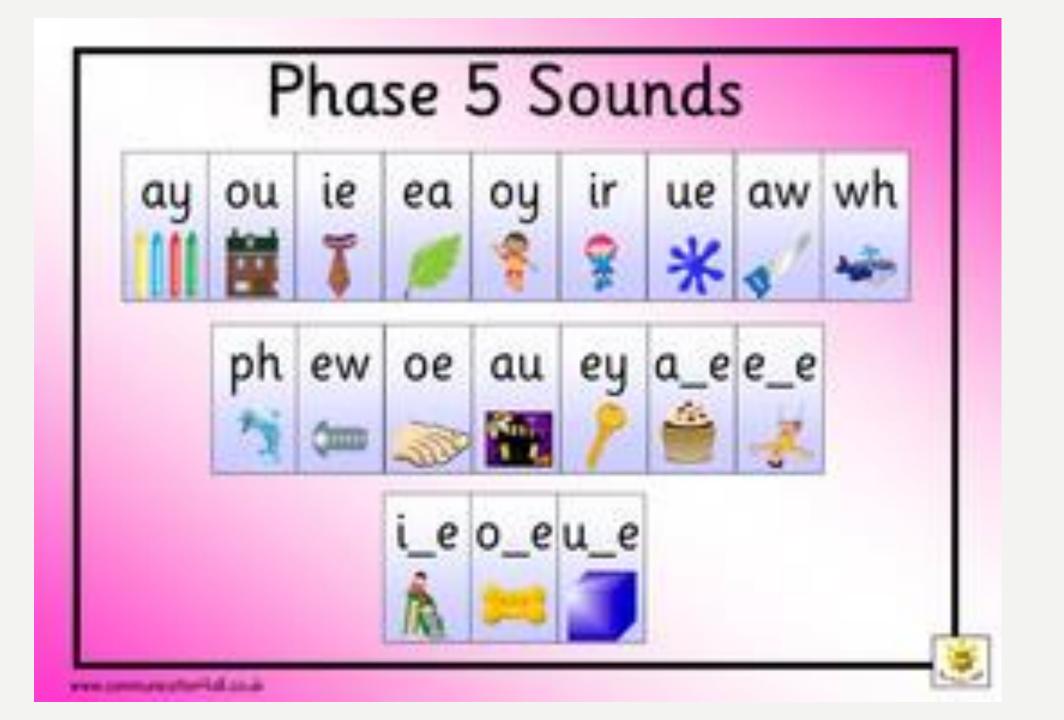


We focus on fostering a love of reading - starting in nursery.

- We'teach phonics through the government's 'letters and sounds' programme.
- This is taught every day through 20 30 minute short and snappy lessons based on learning only one or two sounds a lesson.
- While reading, phonics is used to help decode and then blend the sounds to make a word.







#### WHAT IS THE YEAR ONE PHONICS CHECK?

- Children in Year 1 throughout the country will all be taking part in a phonics screening check during the same week in June. Children in Year 2 will also take the check if they did not achieve the required result when in Year 1 or if they have not taken the test before.
- The phonics screening check is designed to confirm whether individual children have learnt phonic decoding and blending skills to an appropriate standard.
- The Government's aim was to ensure that all children are able to read by the end of year 2.



#### WHAT IS THE YEAR ONE PHONICS CHECK?

- The test contains 40 words. Each child will sit one-to-one and read each word aloud to a teacher. The test will take approximately 10 minutes per child, although all children are different and will complete the check at their own pace. The list of words the children read is a combination of 20 real words and 20 pseudo words (nonsense/alien words).
- The phonics test has been designed so that children of all abilities will be able to take part.
- The phonics screening check will be conducted by the child's phonics teacher.

#### **PSUEDO (ALIEN) WORDS**

The pseudo (alien) words will be shown to your child with a picture of an alien. This provides the children with a context for the pseudo word which is independent from any existing vocabulary they may have. Pseudo words are included because they will be new to all pupils; they do not favour children with a good vocabulary knowledge or visual memory of words.

尾 shog
🐐 stip
🐏 bulm
guock
voisk

#### **REPORTING TO PARENTS**

By the end of the summer term all schools must report each child's results to their parents. They will also confirm if the child has met the standard threshold (this has always been 32). Children who do not achieve the expected level will retake the test when they are in Year 2.

If children do not pass they will be given extra support.

#### WEBSITES TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN

- <u>Cbeebies Alphablocks</u>
- Mr Thorne does phonics-youtube.
- <u>http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.htm</u>
- <u>http://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds</u>
- <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ksl/literacy/phonics/play/">http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ksl/literacy/phonics/play/</a>
- <u>http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html</u>
- <u>https://www.gov.uk/education/phonics</u> -Phonics screening resources.

# Any questions?