



St Stephen Churchtown Academy

Head of School: Miss L James

6th October, 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Your child was due to take the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check in June 2020. These tests were postponed due to the Covid 19 pandemic and have been re scheduled to take place in the second half of this term, ie, after half term and before Christmas. The Check involves children using their phonic sounds to work out both real words and 'nonsense' words, sometimes called 'pseudo' words. We will be practising these in class but in order for the children to practise at home, there is a copy of a check from a previous year attached to this letter. Please encourage your child to say each sound and then blend them together to say the whole word.

We will be sending out further practice sheets but if you wish to also practise online please use the following link and scroll down the page.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>



Choose to play Dragon's Den, Picnic on Pluto or Buried Treasure at Phase 3, 4 and 5.

If you have any questions, please ask your class teacher.

Kind regards

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