

Friday 25th February 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

We would like to request that parents and carers attend a phonics evening on **Wednesday 9th March at 6pm** hosted by the KS1 team at Roebuck Academy. This meeting is incredibly important and will help us all to achieve the best results for your children. The impact of phonics in reading and writing is substantial. We would appreciate it if you could not bring children to this evening if possible. The meeting will last approximately 1 hour.

At this evening we will talk you through what phonics is, how it progresses, the expectation for children in Year 1, show you the test and support you in helping your child to fully embed these skills. Phonics is a skill that is vitally important to the development of both reading and writing and we know that it is a skill that develops through knowledge and practise.

Parents who have attended in the past have found these sessions very useful in helping to develop their own subject knowledge, pronunciation and skill; not just to support children for the purpose of the test but to help with home learning in reading and spelling too.

The government provides us with a screening test that will determine whether your child meets the pass threshold or does not meet it. For those children who do not meet the pass mark, they will be given further support to develop these skills and will be required to resit this test in Year 2. This meeting will give you a greater insight into the skill of decoding for reading and how to address misconceptions and support at home.

We hope you can attend and work with us to ensure our children are confident and ready.

Kind regards



Mrs Herbaut

Year 1 Phonics evening – Wednesday 9th March 6pm

(Please delete as applicable and return the slip below to your class teacher)

I can / cannot attend the year 1 phonics evening.

Name of child _____ class _____

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