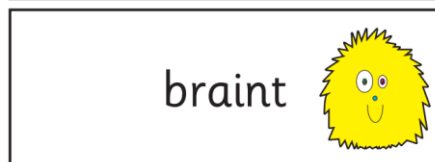
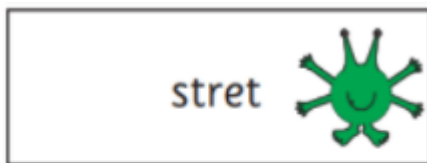


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Dear parents and carers,

During the Summer term all children in Year One take part in a national phonics screening check. This check contains 40 words, 20 of which are pseudo words. The children know them as 'alien words' and they are always shown with an image of an alien next to them.



Your children are expected to use their phonics knowledge to segment and blend the words one at a time, whether they are real words or pseudo words. The check takes no longer than 5 minutes, always takes place with a familiar adult and the children have taken part in several mock checks already this year so are used to the situation.

Attached are some examples of words which have been included in previous checks so that you can see the level of word your child is expected to read. Please feel free to use these words at home with your child to practise segmenting and blending, we encourage the children to use their phonics knowledge regardless of how 'easy' they think the word is as this ensures when they see pseudo words they do not guess what it says as some of them look very similar to real words.




















If you have any questions please ask,

Mrs Clist and Mr Taylor.

## Real Words

chain	mixer
drift	slide
pound	queue
jazz	newt
fuzzy	clown
crept	thump
fuel	knock
stroke	author
feeling	haystack
shortest	cabbage

## Nonsense Alien Words

yoop		lazz	
olf		quipe	
smeck		chirt	
jimp		scroy	
blies		faum	
blate		spreet	
dox		melp	
glisp		shound	
cripe		thoft	
jigh		frue	