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Dear Parent/Carers of Class R

### **Phase 2 Sound Mats for Reception Class**

Your child is bringing home a Sound Mat in their book bag for you to use with them at home. Please keep the mat in their book bag and practise the phonemes on the mat together. The mat shows all the phonemes we have learned so far at school.

For further information please refer to the parent information pack provided after the Phonics meeting in September. For those of you who were not able to attend, the pack was sent home following the meeting, in your child's book bag.

You may also find it helpful to watch this clip on YouTube. It shows the correct pronunciation of each phoneme, called **pure sounds**.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6gxxLnf55Ts>

The video outlines the way your child has been taught to say the phonemes/sounds at school and this should always be the way that they pronounce them when blending and segmenting words.

If you have any other questions or concerns regarding your child learning to read or write, please call into class to speak to us.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Mrs Hoile & Mrs Lewis**

