



## West End Academy

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### Year 1 Phonics Screening

The children in year 1 will take part in a phonics screening test during the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> June. The government has said that the test is optional for schools. However, we feel that all our children should take the test. Children should respond quickly to the phonemes they have learnt. They should also use their phonic knowledge to read words fluently by the end of year 1. Please can you make sure that your child is in school every day during that week so we can complete these tests.

### Special Visitor

The teachers are continuing to give our children the chance to learn about different jobs. Last week, the children in year 6 had an online meeting with Josh Kirk. Josh is the first-team performance analyst at Sheffield United Football Club. During the meeting, the children found out more about his day-to-day role. They discovered that it is his job to provide data and analysis on the teams that Sheffield United are due to play soon. Once he has researched this information, he has to present it to the first-team manager.

After the meeting, Dawson said, "I enjoyed learning about a future career path in sport that wasn't just playing the game." Seth added, "I was able to recognise the importance of gaining relevant experience, working well in a team and possessing good communication skills in a role like this." Each class will hold a special assembly before the end of this term. During this assembly, people from different professions will speak to the children about their job.

### Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Well done to year 2 for having the highest attendance. Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

Upper Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
90.27%	94.62%	99.26%	95.2%	95.19%	93.23%	97.78%	95.01%

### Twitter

Please remember to continue to check our Twitter account for the latest information about the academy. This week, our teachers shared examples of work that the children have recently completed across the curriculum.

### School Website

The school website is being redesigned. This means that we are unable to update the website at the moment. I will let you know as soon as the new website is up and running.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson  
Headteacher

