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Phonics in Nursery

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Dear parents/carers,

During the autumn term, Nursery began their phonics journey with carpet sessions that aim to develop their pre-reading skills. These sessions are focussed on developing listening skills to prepare them for reading. Over the spring term we will continue to practise these pre-reading skills. It is important that we spend lots of time focussing on developing these skills in order for the children to later move on to learning letter sounds and hearing them within words.

We are very excited to offer a limited number of parents a place to join our Fun with Phonics online workshops! The workshops will take place during next half term. There will be six sessions starting on Friday 12th January running until Friday 9th February. The first of these (Friday 12th January) you will be invited into school to watch a phonics lesson and engage in some activities with your child!

Each week for five weeks you will be sent a short, pre-recorded online phonics lesson, taught by me, for you to watch with your child. Your child will go home each Friday with an activity pack with an activity that you can do together whilst developing your child's phonics skills – the perfect weekend activity!

This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about how to support your child's early reading skills at home. I'm sure the children would love to share with you some of the things we do in school.

There are a **limited number** of places for this workshop. If you would like you and your child to take part, please email me on t.hall@crackleybank.staffs.sch.uk stating that you would like a place. Places will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

Thank you

Mrs Hall

Our School Rules:

Try your best

Be calm

Be truthful

Be safe

Be kind

