



Tuesday 9th September 2025

Dear Parents,

Ettington Church of England
Primary School

At Ettington School, we give every child the opportunity to become a reader, a writer and confident speaker by the time they leave Year 6. We promote and instil a love for reading, writing and high-quality literature into pupils of all ages. Our learners are challenged and encouraged to take risks and view mistakes as vital part of the learning process.

At Ettington, we use a scheme called Monster Phonics in Reception, Year 1 and 2 for teaching children how to read. It's important for parents to be familiar with the way in which we teach phonics especially if your child has just started in Reception this year.

Below is a link to a page where you can book onto a free Webinar which is taking place on Monday 15th September conducted by the team at Monster Phonics. It is an "... informative and friendly Monster Phonics Parent Webinar designed to demystify phonics and give you the confidence to support your child's reading journey at home. Helping your child at home can make a huge difference!" There are four (repeated) sessions to choose from which are: 7am, 10am, 3pm or 7pm. If you can't make any of the sessions, a recording should be available after the event.

https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/monster-phonics-parent-information-sessions-4448663?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=creatorshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=odclsxcollection&utm-source=cp&aff=escb&utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Monster%20Mash%20Welcome%20Back&utm_campaign=Phonics%20Programme%201%20-%20UK%20-%20Aug%2025%20%28Copy%29

This link is also being provided for parents of children in Year 1 and 2 who may have missed the webinar last year or for anyone who would like a refresher.

If you have any questions about KS1 phonics after watching the webinar, please do get in touch via the school admin email and I will be happy to answer.

May we also take this opportunity to formally invite you into school for our Phonics Workshop for parents which is taking place on Wednesday 1st October at 6pm. This workshop will last about 1 ½ hours.

Kind regards,

Mrs Marcroft
Foundation Stage and KS1 reading and phonics lead