Dear Reception and Year 1 Parents,

Children at Newton Farm School are taught to read through systematic synthetic phonics. The importance of reading is fundamental in ensuring that all children can progress with their learning.

Our aim is to ensure that all parents are active partners in their child’s learning. To that end, we would like to invite you to participate in a series of Phonics Lessons which will take place on the following days from 09.10 – 10.00am:

**Thursday 11th October**  
**Tuesday 16th October**  
**Thursday 18th October**

We are inviting all parents of children in Reception and Year 1 classes to these lessons, where the teacher will teach phonics and also give you the opportunity to work alongside your child in order for them to make accelerated progress in reading. These lessons are for parents only, as we cannot accommodate siblings in school.

Please wait at the double doors where you gather for Critical Thinking/Reading mornings. The class registers will be taken and once the class has settled the doors will be opened for you to join your child, which will be at around 9:10am. Please do not be late as it will interrupt the class and disrupt the teaching.

Whilst you are in class we respectfully ask you to not use your mobile phone or chat with other parents as this is a formal session designed for you to work with your child.

I do hope you will be able to join in these lessons which will support you in learning more about how phonics is taught in order to help your child at home.

We look forward to seeing you.

Yours sincerely,

Reception and Year 1 Team  
Mrs Jiwa, Miss Mehta, Miss Reando, Miss Douka