

## Guidance for Completing and Submitting

## Year 1 Phonics Test Results for Year 2 Students in the 2021 Autumn Term

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**Introduction**

Cancellation of the phonics screening check in June 2021 means incoming year 2 pupils did not take the check in year 1. In the 2021/22 academic year only, it is statutory for schools to administer a past version of the phonics screening check to year 2 pupils during the second half of the 2021 autumn term and return results to the LA.

Year 2 pupils who meet the expected standard in phonics in the autumn check will not be required to complete any further statutory assessments in phonics. Year 2 pupils who do not meet the expected standard in the autumn check will be expected to take the statutory check in June 2022, alongside year 1 pupils.

Year 3 pupils, who were due to take the statutory check in June 2021 (when they were in year 2), are not formally required to take the autumn check. Schools are expected to maintain a programme of support for these pupils but do not need to return phonics data for year 3 pupils to the LA.

**Administration**

Schools must administer a past version of the phonics screening check to year 2 pupils. Schools have flexibility to decide when they administer the check within the second half of the 2021 autumn term (between the October half term and Christmas).

Pupils in the same cohort can take the check on different days. If a pupil is absent when the rest of the cohort takes the check, schools can administer the check to the pupil at any point up until the end of the 2021 autumn term. Any pupil who is absent from school for this entire period should be recorded as ‘A’ (absent) in the results data. This pupil would then be eligible to take the statutory check in June 2022.

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| **IMPORTANT**: The DfE would like the data to be recorded with a result date when the **check is completed** – **not back dated** to May / June 2021 when it would normally have been carried out. So please ensure the Result Date in the Marksheet is set appropriately for the second half of the autumn term when keying in results. |

**Important Dates**

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| Date | Action |
| Friday 22 October | Schools should order braille versions of the 2017, 2018 or 2019 phonics screening check, if required. |
| Second half of the 2021 autumn term | Schools must administer a past version of the phonics screening check to year 2 pupils. Where possible, schools are encouraged to administer the check at the beginning of the second half of the autumn term. This leaves the final weeks before the end of term for pupils who were absent. |
| By the end of the 2021 autumn term | Schools must submit phonics results for their year 2 pupils to the LA. |
| Friday 21 January 2022 | Deadline for LAs to submit phonics data to DfE, via COLLECT. |

### Importing the Assessment Wizards for the Year 1 & 2 Phonics Screening Check

1. Select **Routines | Data In | Assessment | Import**



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| **NOTE:** If it is the first time you are running the wizard this year you may get the graphic below, click on yes to update your system. |



1. Select the file to import by clicking the **Field browser** (magnifying glass) button.
2. Select **C:\Program Files\SIMS\SIMS .net\AMPA\England Primary (and Middle Deemed Primary)\Assessment Manager**.

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| **NOTE:** Path May be **C:\Program Files (x86)\SIMS\SIMS .net\AMPA\England Primary (and Middle Deemed Primary)\Assessment Manager**, depending on your school setup. If you do not have access to the **C Drive** the template can be downloaded from our website <https://www.pennineeducation.co.uk/phonics.html>, once it has been downloaded right click and extract files. You will now be able to locate the file to import within SIMS.  |

1. Select the **Phonics Screening Year 1 2021** **wizard.** 
2. Click the **Open** button to display the screen shown in the following graphic

 

1. Click the **Finish** button, then click the **Yes** button when asked ‘**Do you want to proceed?**’

 

1. An activity log shows what has been imported.

The Year 1 phonics screening check 2021 wizard has been imported to use in the next stage.

1. Repeat this process to import the **Year 2 Phonics Screening Wizard 2021**.

### Using the Year 1 Phonics Screening Wizard 2021 for Year 2 Pupils in the 2021 Autumn Term

1. Select **Tools | Performance | Assessment | Wizard Manager**.

 

1. Leave the filter on **Incomplete** and click the screening wizard which is going to be worked with – in this case **Year 1 Phonics Screening Wizard 2021**.
2. Click the **Next** button.
3. From the **Select Group** screen, click the **Field Browser** button to display the **Group Selector** dialog.
4. Click the **+** next to **Year Group** to expand the listand select **Year 2**.

 

Expand the **Year** **Group**, select the **Year** **2** group and click **Apply**

1. Click **Next** on the following screen.

 

1. The following screen will now been presented.

 

Highlight the **Phonics** **Screening** **Year** **1** line and click on the green pencil button to open the marksheet.

1. A marksheet with the Year 2 pupils is displayed and columns relating to the assessments that need to be entered. 
2. Enter a value out of 40 into the **Mark for Phonics Check Year 1** column.

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| **IMPORTANT: The DfE would like the data to be recorded with a result date when the check is actually completed – not back dated to May / June 2021 when it would normally have been carried out. So please ensure the Result Date in the Marksheet is set appropriately for the second half of the autumn term when keying in results.** |

1. Click **Save** to save the marks.
2. DfE guidance says that you do not need to submit a threshold score, we advise you enter the same threshold mark for the 2019 test which is 32. If you do not enter a value in the **Threshold Score** Column, when you come to save you will see an exclamation in the **Data** **Check** column, this is expected. Data must be submitted for all year 2 pupils who are eligible to take the check, use the following codes:



Note: Where a zero is entered an assumption is made that a pupil has been assessed and has genuinely achieved a score of 0.

**Correcting a Mark Entered Incorrectly**

If a mistake is corrected and the result has been saved, this cannot be deleted from the cell and saved again.

1. To remove an incorrect score out of 40 or grade entered by mistake, right-click the cell with the wrong result and select **View/Edit Result History**.

 

1. Highlight the incorrect result and click the **red cross** on the right. Click the **Yes** button when asked to delete this. Click the **Close** button to close the **View/Edit Result History** screen. Then enter the correct mark out of 40.



1. Click the **Calculate** button so that the calculations are based on the most recent result. Then save the whole marksheet again.
2. Exit the marksheet by clicking the **Close** button. This will revert back to the screen from where the marksheet was originally selected.
3. The marksheet can be printed by clicking the **Print** button.

### Previewing, Uploading and Exporting Reports

Once all the phonics screening results have been entered on the marksheets for year 2 pupils, reports can be produced.

1. Select **Tools | Performance | Assessment | Wizard Manager**.
2. Select the **Year 1 Phonics Screening Wizard 2021** as required, then click the **Next** button.
3. The group selection may be left as it is. Click the **Next** button until the **Individual Report Format** screen appears.



1. Tick the box to select the students and highlight the **KS1 Y1 Phonics Student Eng 2021** **Individual Report Format**



1. You can now preview, upload, or export the reports.



1. Previewing the report will display the report seen below.



### Uploading Reports

A copy of each pupil’s report can be saved in the document server. This can then be viewed at any time which will save having to print a second copy to keep with the pupil’s records.

1. Once reports have been generated they can be uploaded, either individually or by selecting all pupils and clicking the **Upload Report** button.



Click this button to export reports to a folder.

Click this button to upload reports to a students **Linked Documents**

1. To view the uploaded copy, open the **Pupil Details** screen for the relevant pupil and select **Linked Documents** in the **Links** panel on the right. The report will open as read-only.
2. Click the **Close** button to close the wizard

### Exporting the Results in a CTF

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| **NOTE: You must first upgrade to SIMS Autumn Release 7.200 before exporting results to the LA** |

1. Results for **Year 2** pupils should be exported to your LA via a CTF file, by the end of the 2021 autumn term.**\*Please check your local LA guidance for submission deadlines\***
2. Select **Routines | Data Out | CTF | Export CTF**.



1. Select the CTF export type of **Phonics Test Results (for Autumn Term 2021 Screening Check only)**. The CTF will contain export files including only phonics test data plus the pupil UPN, surname, forename, DOB and gender.

**NOTE**: The CTF output type will be available with the SIMS Autumn upgrade, SIMS version 7.202



1. If you have chosen a CTF export type of **Phonics Test Results (for Autumn Term 2021 1st Screening Check only)**, the data to be exported panel will not be visible. On the students’ panel, click on the **Year Grp** column heading to order by the year and select the relevant **Year 2** pupils.
2. Once the relevant pupils have been selected, choose your LA in the **Destination LA/Other** column. If click on a students name then press and hold **ctrl** on the keyboard followed by **A**, all students will be selected. Release the A but continue to hold ctrl and select the **Destination LA/Other**, it will now input this selection for all students.
3. Click the **Export** button. A CTF will be created and placed in the normal export directory. It will contains the letters PHO (e.g. 3532999\_PHO\_353LLLL\_002) which will indicate to the LA that this is your Phonics Test Results return.
4. Upload the file to the LA in the normal way via S2S or in the normal way.

**DfE Guidance :** [**https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-administering-the-phonics-screening-check-to-year-2-pupils/administering-the-phonics-screening-check-to-year-2-pupils-in-the-2021-autumn-term**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-administering-the-phonics-screening-check-to-year-2-pupils/administering-the-phonics-screening-check-to-year-2-pupils-in-the-2021-autumn-term)

**KS1 ARA :** [**https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/1031077/2022\_Key\_stage\_1\_assessment\_and\_reporting\_arrangements.pdf**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031077/2022_Key_stage_1_assessment_and_reporting_arrangements.pdf)