## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Your child has gained phonological awareness skills, allowing them to recognize and work with language sounds. These activities focus on hearing parts or sounds in words. Let's extend the learning over the winter break with a challenge! Your child is invited to join the Winter Heggerty Challenge; details below.

## Why is phonological awareness important?

Phonological awareness is a strong predictor of reading success, especially at the earliest stages of reading development, and serves as a foundation for reading.

## How can I support phonological awareness at home?

Supporting phonological awareness at home is simple—all you need is language! Help your child understand that the words they hear in speech are made up of parts and sounds. You can begin building phonological awareness in your child by allowing them to view our recorded 10-20 minute phonemic awareness video lessons.

## How can we access the recorded lessons?

Use the corresponding QR code below to access your child's grade-level recorded lessons.

We look forward to continuing to support your child in building foundational literacy skills, and hope your child engages in our video lessons over the break!

Children who watch the videos and return the log (found at the bottom of this letter) will be entered into a drawing for individual and class prizes.

Preschool Videos	Kindergarten Videos	Primary Videos (1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade)
https://rb.gy/9cv8g3	https://rb.gy/2pbxtw	https://rb.gy/14uwi7

**Grade Level: Building: Student Name: Parent Signature** Lesson Day 1 Return to Day 2 Week your Day 3 teacher Day 4 Day 5 after the Day 1 break! Week 12 Day 2 Day 3 Day 4 Day 5