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**Dear Parents and Carers,**

In Year One, the children have started their writing learning journey based around the book 'Would You Like a Banana?' by Yasmeen Ismail. We are sharing our first English (writing) journey with you so that you can talk to your child about their learning at home. We would be grateful if you could continue to practise Step 1 of the learning journey with your child to support their confidence and fluency in naming the 26 letters of the alphabet and identifying what sound they usually make.

**Writing Learning Journey**

**Step 1:** I am learning the names of the 26 letters of the alphabet and what sounds they usually make.

**Step 2:** I am learning that words are used to communicate meaning and that words can be broken down into sounds, represented by letters.

**Step 3:** I am learning what capital letters are, what they look like, how to form them and which lower case letters they correspond to.

**Step 4:** I am learning to use segmenting fingers to spell words.

**Step 5:** I am learning to write a simple sentence.

As part of our writing journey and foundation subject learning this half term, the children will be tasting fruit to enable them to practise using their words to communicate their preferences. Children will be tasting banana, strawberry, satsuma, apple and lime. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions or concerns before **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September.**

Thank you for your support and partnership.

**The Year One Team**