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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As a school community, we are working to ensure that your child receives research-based instruction that is developmentally appropriate and fun! Early intervention is critical to reading success, and we want you to be confident that your child's literacy development is being supported and monitored.

As you may be aware, school districts in New Hampshire are now required by law to screen all students entering kindergarten or first grade for potential indicators of dyslexia and/or other reading related disorders. At Barnard School, we use AimswebPlus as a universal screener in order to identify students who may struggle with beginning reading skills.

Students in kindergarten and first grade who may potentially struggle with early reading based on the results of the universal screener will receive reading intervention and their progress will be closely monitored. Reading intervention may take place in the classroom or in the reading room. In some cases, students who have been recommended for a reading intervention may only stay in an intervention for a short time (6 weeks). In other cases a student may remain in a reading intervention for a longer period of time (16 weeks or more).

Please feel free to contact your child's classroom teacher or Mrs. Kernus, the reading specialist, with any questions regarding reading intervention at Barnard School.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alecia Kernus". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

Alecia Kernus, Reading Specialist