

# Reading in Reception

#### How You Can Help At Home

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021

#### Reading Everyday.....

- Creates lifelong readers.
- Teaches children to find adventure, ideas and answers through books.
- Strengthens relationships and creates memories as a family activity.
- Opens doors through which children can learn about themselves.
- Builds a diverse vocabulary and strengthens fluency in reading.
- Allows a child's imagination and creativity to blossom.
- Gives children the tools needed to become successful students.
- Takes the 'scary' out of reading in the classroom.
- Helps children to make connections to people, places and concepts.
- Awakens children to the world around them.

### How Do We Teach Reading in School?

• Sharing stories during daily story time.

- Use a story focus to theme our weekly activities.
- Daily phonics teaching sessions.
- Books are available for children to access in all areas of learning at all times of the day.
  - Guided reading sessions
- Use of the online eBook collection linked to our Rising Stars phonic scheme.
- 1:1 reading with a Teacher at least once weekly.



- We follow the 'Rocket Phonics Scheme'
- Phonics is taught daily and 2 new letter sounds are learnt each week.
- The letters sounds your child brings home are the letters that have been taught in phonics that week.
- Phonics helps children to segment words and blend them together e.g. s-a-t sat.
- Children will learn to read some 'tricky words' we cannot use our phonic knowledge to sound out these words. Instead we must learn them through repetition and regular practice.
- All children have their own personal access to the online rising stars eBook collection.
- A phonic based alphabet mat will be sent home with your child's home learning kit.

- Supporting Reading At Home
- Find a time where you can sit down together to look at the home reading book.

• Share and look together at the reading book asking questions and checking the children have understood what they have read.

• The books will be matched to the individual phonic needs of the children so some may have a picture book, a simple book with words, or a book with sentences.

• Please remember it is not a race to get the end of a book band. It is important that the children have embedded skills and sound knowledge before they move on.

• Please read as often as you can, it really does make so much difference to your child's learning in school in lots of other areas of learning.

• Access the online eBook collection to practice different books in the same book band as the books sent from school

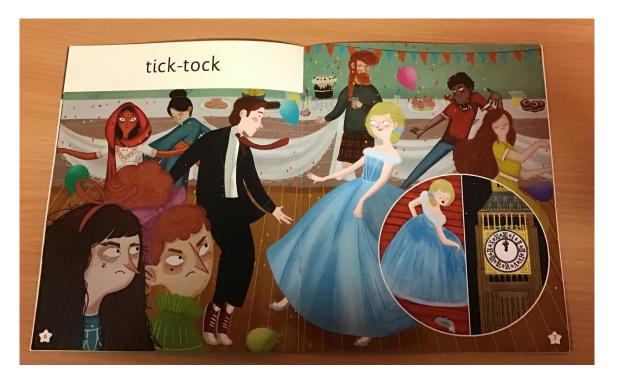
#### The Home Reading Kit

Reading Record Learning T Green reading diary, each time you read leave us a comment to let us know how you child has found the text.

> Red writing book is a place to practice writing simple words or practicing letter formation.

- Letter tub containing the sounds taught in phonics. Practice saying each sound and making simple words.
- Home reading book.

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# What do the reading books look like?

• Some books initially contain no words, as children then develop their phonic skills the books progress to simple words and then longer sentences.

#### Rising Stars eBook Collection

- This is an online collection of stories that you can access via an iPad, Laptop or Smartphone at your leisure.
- The books have quiz's at the end to check the children have understood what they have read as well as the option to have the story read by a narrator.
- The login details for your child can be found at the front of their green reading diary.





finn and kay level the Mars Rover ride of the Flanot Zoom theme park.

"I with we could land on Mary for real" and Bay. They strapped themselves into the rule. Then their work started to spin. "I think your wish is coming true!" sheated linn as they whized away into space. When the seats stopped spinning, firey looked out of the window and gasped.



#### Other Reading Activities...

- Play 'Robot says' e.g. Robot says get your b-a-g'
- Play snap with letter cards
- Build words using magnetic letters
- Read to your child share a book at bedtime, where they can hear you put on your best Dragon voice!
- Go to the library.
- Read other texts newspapers, magazines, eBooks.

## Please Remember....

- All children are different
- Some children are almost a year older than others in the year group.
- Enjoy the time sharing a book together.
- If you have any concerns about your child's progress than speak to your child's class teacher.