

TEACHING OF PHONICS

Throughout school, the daily teaching of phonics happens in each class. Sessions last for approximately twenty minutes, introducing children to recognition of sounds, segmenting words and blending sounds together to support their ability to read words and write.

We use a programme called Read, Write, Inc to deliver phonics in an exciting way that ensures children learn quickly and make good progress.

Meetings are held for parents early in the Autumn term, where staff demonstrate the teaching and how it supports children's development.

We use a range of reading schemes, organised into book bands, encouraging children to read a wide range of books confidently whilst extending their sight vocabulary and comprehension. This includes both fiction and non-fiction books and the library is there for all children to use.

Children are encouraged to select books independently within the book bands that progress in terms of difficulty. We encourage a breadth of reading within a book band, ensuring children are secure before moving forward.

Amongst the schemes we use are:

Oxford reading tree

Rigby Star

Read, Write Inc books

Songbirds

Alpha kids

Collins books

Reading 360