



Dear Parents/ Carers,

In Pre-School we follow the phonics scheme 'Read Write Inc.'

During my time teaching in a primary school as a qualified primary school teacher, I received the official training in 'Read Write Inc.' and was able to teach this across three year groups. From this experience, I believe 'Read Write Inc.' gives the children the best start in their journey to learn to read and write and also allows them to be one step ahead for when they start in reception. This is because most schools in England follow the 'Read Write Inc.' scheme.

As we are a Pre- School, your child will only be looking at 'set one sounds' and this will be kept very simple with no pressure and lots of fun. (See list below for the sounds and order of teaching),

- 1. Your child will learn to say, and write the letter sounds (not names). Whilst also beginning to orally sound out simple CVC words (this is known as 'Fred Talk'.).
- 2. Your child will then learn to orally sound out words and read them. Before going on to try and write them.
 - However, it is important to note that not all children will be able to do this, and if your child does not grasp phonics at this time, there is nothing to worry about, this will be continued and recapped in reception. We are simply just laying the foundations for them.

We will be looking at a new sound each day/ week (depending on the children.)

What can you do at home to help your child?

To help your children at home it is encouraged that you read with your children as often as possible and to make it fun (a sheet is attached to show ten top tips for reading with your child.)

There is also videos and resource links underneath that you can look at, which will help you in *understanding 'Read Write Inc.'* some more. Whilst also giving you tips and demonstrations on how to support your child further. (You may need to create an account to access the Oxford Owl resources, but it is free.)

As a Pre-School we will also keep you updated on what letter/sound we have covered/covering each day/week. We will also be sending a letter sound booklet home with your child where they will have the opportunity to practice writing the letter sound we are covering that week. As well as identify objects or things that begin with certain letters and they can draw and label them (this allows the children to make the connection between the letters and objects that begin with that sound/letter.)

Please know that if you have any further questions or need any support with any of this, or would just like to chat you can come into pre-school any time and we will be happy to help you. (We are a team after all!)

Order of teaching sounds

'masd tinpgockub felhrjvyw z x'

Once your child knows all of these sounds confidently they will be introduced to six two letter sounds (known as 'Special friends-as they have two letter but together make one sound.) the order is as follows, 'sh th ch qu ng nk'

The link below will help you on how to pronounce these sounds correctly when supporting your child.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IFyDwUKSw7Y&ab_channel=RuthMiskinTraining

Also attached to this letter, is a sheet that will show you the rhymes for letter formation that we will be using with your children to help them form their letters.

Thank you very much for your support

Miss Culleton (Phonics Lead)

useful links to resources and videos to support you

https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/read-write-inc-phonics-guide/

https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/phonics/

https://www.youtube.com/results?search query=read+write+inc+phonics+set+1+sounds

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lFyDwUKSw7Y&ab_channel=RuthMiskinTraining

https://www.youtube.com/results?sp=mAEB&search_query=read+write+inc+phonics+nursery