

Teaching of phonics-

Feedback from our recent reading meeting suggested that many parents wanted more knowledge of how we teach phonics in school. Here is a helpful guide to show what children learn in phonics.

Phonics is taught daily in school for 20 minutes. Phonics is split into phases, starting with phase 1 and continuing to phase 6. Children start in phase 1 in Nursery. This handout has been designed to help you see a simple overview of what your child is learning in phonics at the moment.

Phase 3

By the time children reach phase 3, they will have already learnt the following sounds and should be confident at recognising these in words.

s-sat	a-ant	t-tap	p-pin	i-it
n-net	m-mat	d-did	g-got	o-of
c-cat	k-kit	ck-kick	e- bet	u- but
r-rat	h-hen	b-big	f,ff- fat, puff	l, ll-let, bell
ss- less				

In phase 3, children move on to learn more sounds. These are listed below.

j-jet	v-van	w-wet	x- text	y-yet
z- zip	zz- buzz	qu-quit	ch-chip	sh-shop
th- thin/then	ng-ring	ai-rain	ee- feet	igh- night
oa- boat	oo-boot	ar-farm	or-for	ur-hurt
ow-cow	oi-coin	ear-dear	air- fair	ure-sure
er-corner				

Children should practise reading these sounds and should start to blend the sounds together when reading words. If the child is confident, they could try making words using the above sounds using magnetic/foam letters. They can try to write the words if they wish.

The key words for phase 3 are:

Phase three.		
he	was	all
she	my	are
we	you	
me	they	
be	her	

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