

Year 1 phonics workshop

Parent pack

What is phonics?

- Children are taught to read by breaking down words into separate sounds or 'phonemes'. They are then taught how to blend these sounds together to read the whole word.
- Children have a 30 minutes phonics lesson each day and they are encouraged to use these strategies to read and write in other lessons.

Phonemes children have learnt: (some of these letters make more than one sound)

Phase 2 sounds:

s	a	t	p	i
n	m	g	d	o
c	k	ck	e	u
r	h	b	f	ff
l	ll	ss		

Phase 3 sounds:

J	v	w	x	y
z	zz	qu	ch	sh
th	ng	ai	ee	igh
oa	oo	ar	or	ur
ow	oi	ear	air	er

Phase 5 sounds:

ay	ou	ie	ea
oy	ir	ue /oo/	ue /yoo/
aw	wh /w/	wh /h/	ph
ew /oo/	ew /yoo/	oe	au
ey	a_e	e_e	i_e
o_e	u_e /oo/	u_e /yoo/	zh

Phonics Screening Check

- The phonics screening check is a short, light-touch assessment to confirm whether individual children have learnt phonic decoding to an appropriate standard.
- All children in Year 1 have to take the phonics screening check.
- If any child does not pass the phonics screening check they will have an opportunity to re-take the test in Year 2 after extra support has been given.

- It is a list of 40 words and non-words, which a child will read one-to-one with their teacher.
- It usually takes 5-10 minutes to complete the test.
- Non-words are made-up words formed by phonemes that the children have been taught. They are called 'alien names' and have pictures next to them so it is clear to the children.

A government website with information about the phonics screening check.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-assessment-and-reporting-arrangements-ara/phonics-screening-check>

Example words: Real words

chill

shin

gang

week

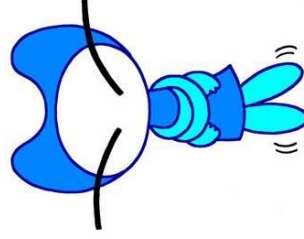
Example words: Made-up words



tox



bim



vap



ulf

What can you do to help

- Encourage your child to 'sound out' when reading or writing. Focusing particularly on spotting more unusual sound patterns.

Eg

Digraph- 2 letters making one sound

cow

Trigraphs- 3 letters making one sound

night

Split digraphs- 2 vowels with a consonant in between. Use to be known as the magic e!

spine - i_e


Useful websites

www.phonicplay.co.uk

[Phonics games we use in class]

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/

[Phonics games]

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/> - search 'phonics'

[Links to phonics websites]

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BqhXUW_v-1s

[Correct pronunciation of phase 2 and 3 phonemes]

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=mr+thorne+does+phonics

[You tube videos showing words with phonemes in- Mr Thorne]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-2016-materials>

[Government guidance on the Phonics Screening Check]

<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/>

[Programme we are following with free resources]

The Bookshare project

This year, Year 1 are taking part in the book share project. The children have been, and will continue to receive a free book every month. These books will be supplied by Nechells POD CIC through the Bookshare project which has been funded by St. Chad's and Nechells POD.