# Woodthorpe Primary School

### **EYFS Help Sheets**

### <u>Reading</u>



#### <u>Phonics</u>

In Reception, we teach phonics daily. Each session is up to 30 minutes each day which follows the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised programme. In Reception, we build from 10-minute lessons, with additional daily oral blending games, to the full-length lesson as quickly as possible. Each Friday, we review the week's teaching to help children become fluent readers.

Through the course of the year we will teach Phase 2, 3 and 4. In addition to our daily lessons, we have tasks within our classroom environment to support phonics teaching. We also provide children with grapheme mats to support them in their writing.

Please see the attached documents produced by Little Wandle to support parents and carers. These can support you at home with phonics, reading books and writing.

- Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised 2021: Programme progression Reception and Year 1 overviews . This document is an overview which shows the progression of GPCs and tricky words that we teach term-by-term.
- **Phase 2 grapheme information sheets.** These documents show the phonemes taught. They show the grapheme and mnemonic, the picture card, the pronunciation phrase and formation phrase (to support writing).
- Letter formation: Capital letters. This document can be used to ensure correct letter formation when you are teaching children to form capital letters.
- **Glossary of terms.** This document explains the key terminology that we use when teaching reading.

In addition to this, you can also visit the '**For parents'** section on the Little Wandle website. This will provide you with videos to support phonics including the pronunciation of sounds, how we teach and further support with reading.

https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk

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#### Keep-up interventions

Some children who may need additional practice may take part in daily Keep-up support. Keep-up sessions may be working 1:1 with an adult or in a group. The sessions match the structure of class teaching, and use the same procedures, resources and mantras, but in smaller steps with more repetition, to support children securing their learning. Sometimes, your child may have a sticker on their uniform with the sound they have been working on, adults at school and at home are encouraged to ask the child what the sticker says as this will support their knowledge of the sound.

#### **Reading practice sessions**

In addition to this, Reception children take part in three reading practice sessions a week.

Each reading practice session has a clear focus, so that the demands of the session do not overload the children's working memory. The reading practice sessions have been designed to focus on three key reading skills:

- decoding
- prosody: teaching children to read with understanding and expression
- comprehension: teaching children to understand the text.

#### **Bug Club**

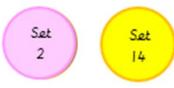
Bug Club is a reading programme that combines an online reading world with fantastic print books. Each child will receive their own username to access their account. These details can be found at the back of your child's reading record. Your child will be able to choose from a selection of online books pitched at their reading level.

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#### Reading record

We really value the importance of home reading. Therefore we ask that you aim to read with your child at least three times each week. Please use your child's reading record to comment each time they read as this will correspond to a tick on our reading chart. Books will be changed at least once every week. We follow a coloured book band scheme in school which supports us to identify which colour book and set is appropriate for your child. Your child will progress through the different coloured book bands which are matched to a set number. The book colour and set number can be seen on the inside cover of the book. You can see the coloured levels and set numbers your child will progress through below.

Pink	Phase 2	Set 1 - 5
Red	Phase 3	Set 6 - 12
Yellow	Phase 4	Set 13 - 15
Blue	Phase 4	Set 16 - 19
Green	Phase 5	Set 20 - 24
Orange	Phase 5	Set 25



Example stickers seen in the front cover of books.

#### **Reading challenge**

To celebrate the love of reading, in our school each class has a reading challenge chart. Every time a child reads with an adult they receive one tick on the chart. Along their way they will receive certificates and prizes for the amount of ticks they get. We start the chart again each half term.

Bronze: 10 ticks—Reading sticker and certificate

Silver: 20 ticks—Certificate

Gold: 25 ticks — Prize and certificate

We always encourage a love of reading and retelling stories. Therefore, please continue to enjoy a wide variety of picture books, poems, magazines, fact books etc... with your child.