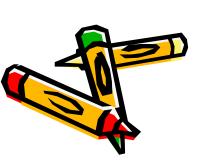






What is phonics and how can I help my child at home?



Phonics is recommended as the first strategy that children should be taught in helping them learn to read.



Phonics is all about using ...

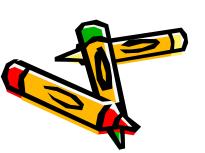
skills for reading and spelling



knowledge

of the alphabet

Learning phonics will help your child to become a good reader and writer.





Phonics programmes should:

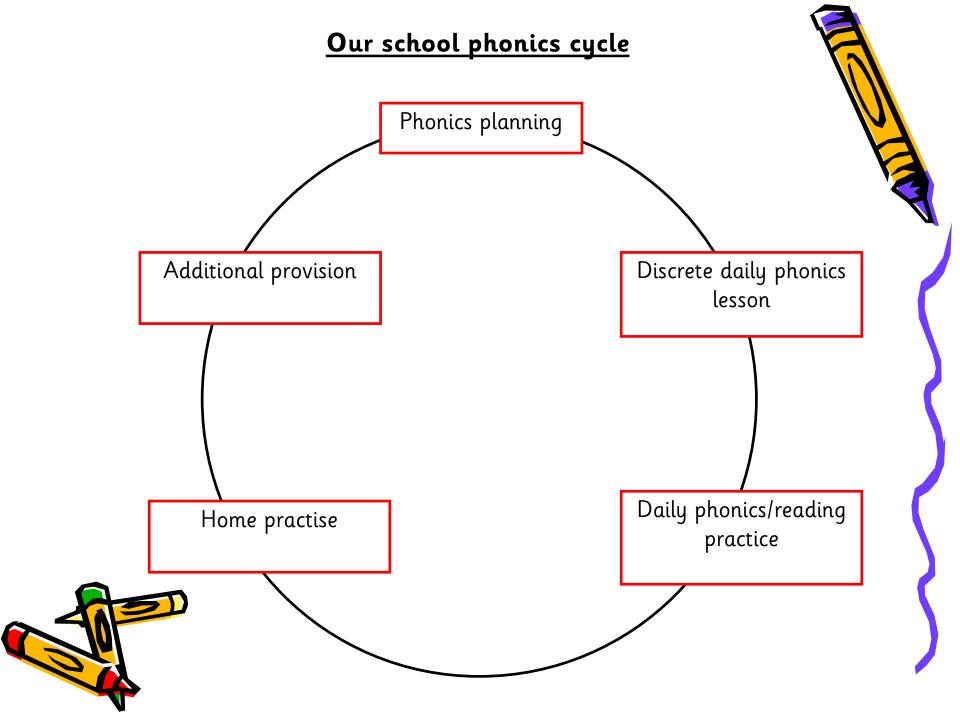
-Enable children to start learning phonic knowledge and skills early in reception.

-Provide a structured route for most children to meet or exceed the expected standard in the year one phonics screening check.

-Provide a structured route for most children to meet or exceed the expected standard in and all national curriculum expectations for word reading through decoding by the end of year two.

Phonics and early reading at our school:

- A complete phonics programme from Phase 1 to Phase 5.
 - Daily phonics and reading sessions.
- Daily follow up group work to support the application of blending and segmenting skills.
- A 'keep up' approach with additional support where required.
- Fostering a love of reading through daily story time, songs and rhymes, school library and visiting authors.
 - Working in partnership with parents, carers and families.



School expectations for support at home

- Reading books match the sounds children know and will be given out as they learn new sounds.
 Please read at least 4 times per week with your child and record in the yellow reading diary.
- · Proud cloud- celebrating reading.
- · Keyword tubs (sight words)- practise every day.
- · Correct pronunciation of sounds.

Fostering a love of reading- daily story time e.g. bed time stories, Bug Club, visiting the local library

Further Support

 Using educational apps to support blending and reading e.g. Bug Club, PhonicsPlay, Alphablocks.

Liaise with school staff- we are here to help!

 Parents Days- opportunity to talk through children's targets.

• October stay and play- opportunity to explore early reading activities.

Contact from school around expectations.

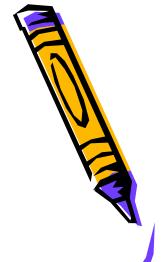
Important terminology

<u>Blending</u>

Blending involves looking at a written word, sounding it out and then merging the sounds together to make a word. This is the basis of reading.

Children need to develop the skill of oral blending before they will be able to blend written words.



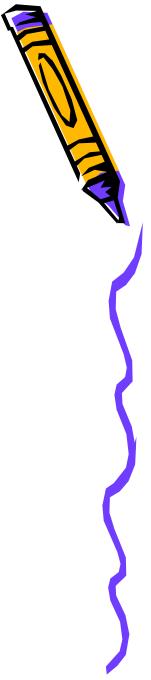


Blending

Example:

cat

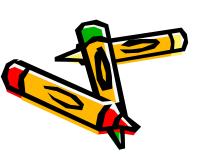
A cat sat on the mat.



Segmenting

Segmenting involves hearing a word, splitting it up into the sounds that make it, then writing them down in the right order. This is the basis of spelling.

Again, children need to develop the skill of oral segmenting before they will be able to segment words for spelling.



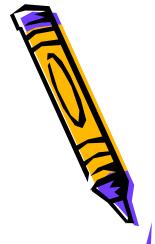
Segmenting

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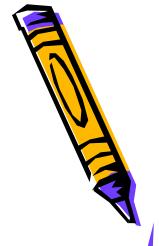
Segmenting

Example:



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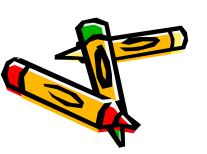




High Frequency Words/ Keywords

These are words that are very common in reading and writing. It is important that children learn to read these words on sight (without blending) and learn to spell them correctly too.

Recognising these words on sight help to develop reading fluency.



High Frequency Words/ Keywords

Examples:

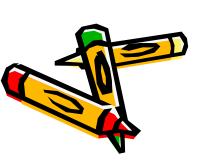
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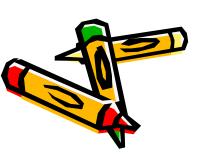
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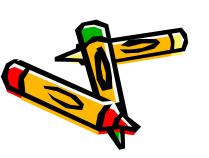
Phonics Lesson Sequence

- Revisit and review-Sound flashcards. Looking at all of the sounds we have learned so far and practise formation.
- Introduce and teach-Jolly Phonics Jingle, initial sound recognition, practise formation.
- Practise and apply-Blending and segmenting practise.
- Revisit and review- Keywords. Flashcards of the words we have learned so far.
- Teach and practise-Learn to read and write new keyword.

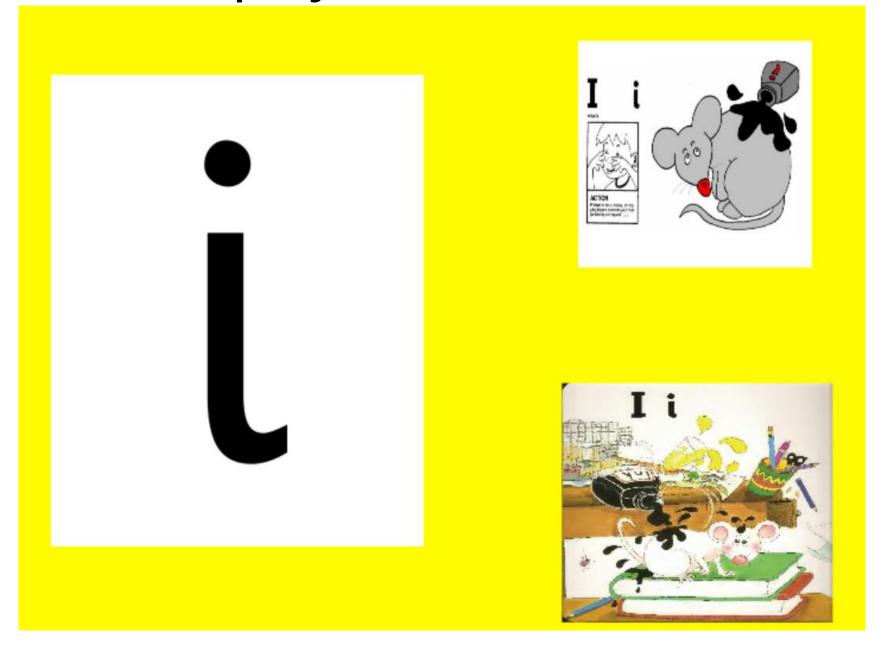


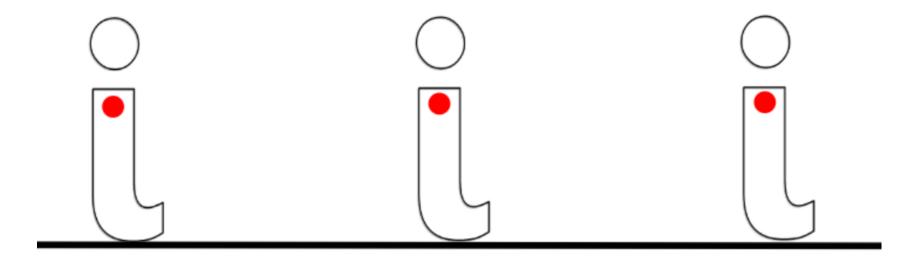
End of Year Expectations

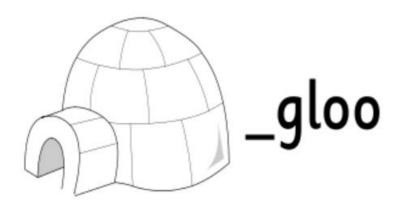
By the end of Reception, National Expectations is for all children to achieve a "good" level of development and to be able to read a yellow coloured book.

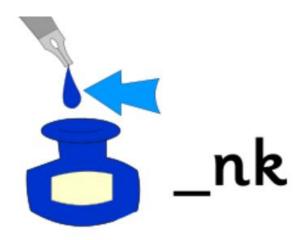


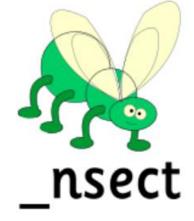
Examples from a Phonics session





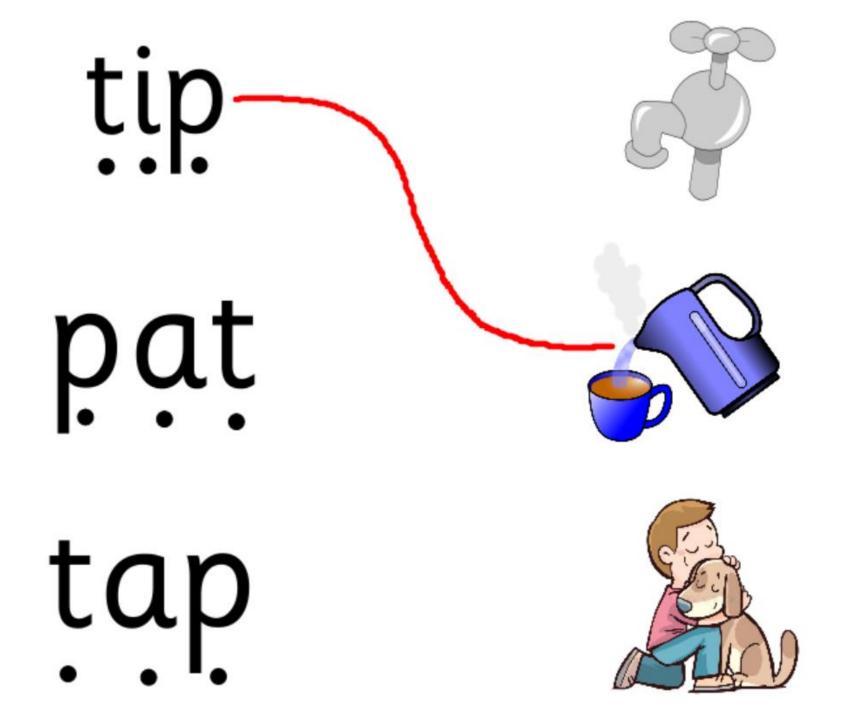


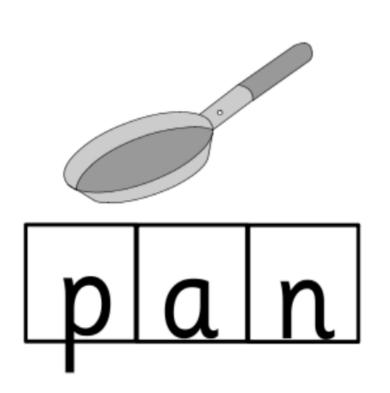


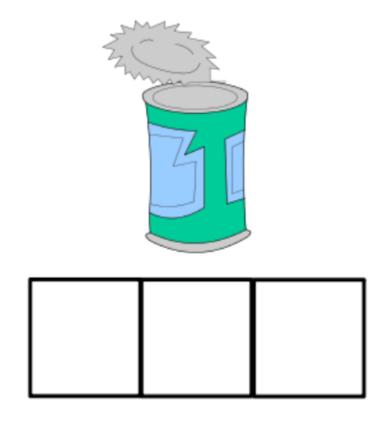














Keyword Challenge



Any questions?

