

Phonics

English - Phonics and Early Reading

We believe that reading is the first priority in a child's learning adventure. We are determined that all pupils at Wormholt park will learn to read and develop a lifelong love for reading!

At Wormholt Park, we teach phonics using the Phonics Bug Scheme. All children in Reception and KS1 take part in daily phonics lessons.

These daily 20-minute lessons are planned and structured using Phonics Bug Phonics.



Phonics Bug

This is a comprehensive, synthetic phonics programme aimed at teaching children how to read. The 44+ phonemes and spelling strategies are divided and taught in 6 phases.

Phase 1 is taught in Nursery

Phase 2, 3 and 4 in Reception

Phase 4 and 5 in Year 1 and

Phase 6 in Year 2

All phases are revised and revisited when needed and children attend the phonic lessons for the phonic phase they are working at. All staff in Early Years and KS1 are trained to teach all the phonic phases.

We assess the children every half term. These assessments are used to track progress and enable teachers to group the children according to their ability. Intervention are delivered for children working below age related expectations.



In Early Years and Year 1, children take home a phonetically decodable book matched to their phonic phase.

At the end of Year 1, all children take part in the statutory Phonic Screening. Children not meeting the required standard than receive further phonics support in Year 2 and re-take the Phonics screening assessment.

Phonics may also be taught in KS2 to those children who have been assessed as still working within the phonics phases 2-6. This is group work and part of planned intervention program. These children will also take home phonetically decodable books matched to their phonics knowledge. All new children to or school are assed in phonics and receive relevant support, if required.



How you can help at home

Reading every day at with home your child - your child will bring home their phonetically decodable book to read to you. This book will be at their reading level. Please ask your child to read to you and discuss the book with them

Here are some useful websites to use at home



Fun games to Play!



Learn to say the letter sounds
(phonemes) correctly