

Our Phonics Programme

Northwick Park Primary Trust uses the 'Read Write Inc' phonics programme. When children enter Reception, parents are invited for a meeting to explain phonics teaching in school and how parents can help their children at home.

When they are ready, children will bring home 'RWI Book Bag' books. These are attractive books for children to read at home which align with phonic teaching at school. Children should read their 'Book Bag' book over several days in order to consolidate learning and aid reading fluency. It is very important that children do not rush through their books. Children will also bring home phonic games (to help them learn their sounds) and high frequency words.

Prior to joining Reception, children who attend our onsite Daycare and Nursery provision will participate in a language-rich environment, enjoy opportunities for music, song, story and rhyme and access high-quality spoken language. Additionally, children in Nursery take part in activities and games that develop oral sound blending skills, auditory discrimination skills, rhyming and alliteration.

You will find further information about the teaching sequence and some helpful videos to support with phonics at home on this website.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you require further information.

Help for Parents

The way we teach phonics in school may have changed since most adults learned to read!

In addition to the reading meeting parents and carers are invited to attend in Reception and Year 1, these videos may be of use.

These are 2 different clips. The first one is a Read, Write Inc. video, which covers some of the sounds. The second video covers all the sounds and leaves gaps for them to be practised. Please see your child's teacher if you require further information.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3HRX2ywbog>

Other resources you may find helpful:

Oxford Owl - <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/readwrite-inc-phonics-guide/>

Ruth Miskin (RWI Author) facebook page- <https://www.facebook.com/miskin.education>

Ruth Miskin website, parents' section- <https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out/more/parents/>