



Home Learning Information – Spring Term 2023
for Parents / Carers of Children in Reception

Our home learning will focus on applying phonics for reading and writing separately.

Phonics for Reading – Hearing your child read on a daily basis is so important. Children take two books home per week:

-  A Rhino Reader book – daily reading of the Rhino Reader book should be a priority, as this is decodable and will develop fluency.
-  A reading for pleasure book – each morning, children change their book from the class library and bring this home to share with you. This is a great opportunity to share stories, read to them, talk about their favourite books, ask questions and identify sounds and common exception/tricky words they have learnt in school.

Understanding of texts is very important. To support your child, please ask questions to improve their comprehension skills, such as *'What is the story about? Why do you think they made that choice? Was it a good choice? Why did that happen? What do you think will happen next? What was your favourite part of the story? Why?'*

Your child's yellow reading record book is a communication log so that you can inform us how your child is getting on with reading. Please record each independent read of a Rhino Reader book in this. We will do the same. Independent reading is so important, so please encourage your child to have a go before helping. Each Monday, we will collect the yellow reading records and reward children with STARS Points for regular reading.

Phonics for Writing – Children will receive weekly phonics home learning in their purple folders. The tasks may vary weekly, but they will all give children the opportunity to practise the sounds, decodable words and common exception/tricky words they have learnt at school. Please continue to support your child with the cursive letter formation (Langshott script).

Home Learning Summary

Task	Day Set	Day Due
Phonics for Reading	Daily – Diaries collected every Monday to award STARS Points	
Phonics for Writing	Thursday	Tuesday