



## Home Learning Information – Autumn 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. This should be recorded in their reading diary. Children will receive lots of STARS Points for daily reading. They will take two books home per week:

- 🌐 **A Rhino Reader book** – Their Rhino Reader book is for daily reading and it should be a priority as this is decodable and will develop fluency. Your child will be given their first Rhino Reader book once they have learnt the first set of sounds (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k).
- 🌐 **A reading for pleasure book** – This can either be a book from home or from our class/school library. The children can change this when they choose. This is a great opportunity to share a new story with your child and it can be read to them too. Challenge your child to look for words they can read themselves as they work their way through the phonics lessons at 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?*

Phonics for Writing – The children will receive weekly phonics home learning in their purple folders. This gives them the opportunity to practise the sounds and tricky words they have learnt at school. The phonics home learning involves your child practising cursive letter formation (Langshott script) and applying their phonic knowledge to write sounds and simple words.

### Home Learning Summary

| Task                | Day set  | Day Due |
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| Phonics for Reading | Daily – Diaries will be checked every Monday to award STARS Points |         |
| Phonics for Writing | Thursday   | Tuesday |