



Home Learning Information – Spring Term 2024 for Parents / Carers of Children in Reception

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

Phonics for Reading – Please hear your child read their Rhino Reader book daily and record this in their reading diary. To challenge your children, read a reading for pleasure book as well and record when you read this too! Children will receive STARS Points for 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 (speed).
- 🔵 **A reading for pleasure book** – This can either be a book from home or from our class library. The children are responsible for changing these books at school. This is a great opportunity to share a new story with your child. Challenge your child to look for words they can read themselves in these books and record this as a read in their reading record!

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 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
Phonics for Reading	Daily – Diaries will be checked every Monday to award STARS Points	
Phonics for Writing	Thursday	Tuesday