



## Home Learning Information – Autumn Term 2024 For Parents / Carers of Children in Reception

Our home learning will focus on applying phonics knowledge in reading and writing.

**Reading** – children will bring home two books per week:

- 🌟 **A Rhino Reader book – daily reading of the Rhino Reader book is mandatory** and this must be recorded in their reading diary. These books are decodable (they can sound them out). Children will have the same book for a week, this must be read daily to develop children’s fluency. Your child must read this book to you, beginning with the recap sound page at the front of the book. Children will receive one STARS Point for every time they read. **The first Rhino Reader book will be sent home on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October.** This book will contain the first twelve sounds of level 2 – s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k. Rhino Reader minibooks, containing weekly taught sounds, will be uploaded to Google Classroom every Friday. The first will be available from *Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October*. These need to be read in addition to the Rhino Reader book. Rhino Readers must stay in your child’s book bag throughout the week to ensure they can be read with throughout the week and can be changed on a Thursday.
  
- 🌟 **A reading for pleasure book** – children choose a book from the class library and are encouraged to change this daily. You can read this book to the children; it is a great opportunity to share a new story with your child and expose them to a range of genres of interest to them. Please note, that they are not expected to be able to read this book, but as your child learns to read, they may begin to recognise letters and words from the book. Reading of this book can be recorded in diaries - you can write down their thoughts and feelings about the books. Children can also read books on their own bookshelf too! 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?*

**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 letter formation and applying their phonic knowledge to write sounds and simple words.

### **Home Learning Summary**

Task	Day Set	Day Due
Reading	Daily – diaries will be checked every Monday to award STARS Points	
Writing	Thursday	Tuesday