

## Reading and your child

Please come and arrange a time to chat with us if you have any questions.

## Looking for something online?

[www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies) - the Alphablocks have stories and games to help with letter sounds and blending.

[www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk) – you can play some of the games we play in school here

[www.starfall.com](http://www.starfall.com) – this is an American site but works ok to support other phonics work we do

Hairy letters – A great app to learn letter sounds, word building and tracing letter shapes. Cost £1.99

## How can I help at home?

- a short daily session of letters and sounds, and/or reading book work will have a great impact on your child's progress.
- fridge magnets, letter cards and games are great ways to maintain interest
- point to individual letters or digraphs and ask your child to say the corresponding sound
- ask your child to identify by pointing to a letter/digraph the speech sound that you have made.
- use the letters and digraphs to blend into words, segment words into the letters and digraphs that build them
- learn the tricky words by sight - be able to spot them in books and write

## What happens in school?

- Daily phonics sessions to support your child at the level they are working at
- Group reads when your child can read at an appropriate level
- Reading assessment to ensure your child is reading the correct level of reading book for them
- Reading tree and certificates to motivate and encourage children to read at home