

Reading at Horsford CofE VA Primary School



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What is phonics?

- ▶ When your child starts school, they will be taught how to read using an approach called 'phonics'.
- ▶ What is phonics?

Phonics is about using....

Skills for reading and
spelling



Knowledge of the
alphabet

Learning phonics will help your child to become a confident reader and writer.

What does phonics look like at Horsford CofE VA Primary School?

▶ Daily Phonics lesson

Every phonics lesson has the following structure –

1. Revisit/Review - prior skills and knowledge is quickly looked at.
2. Teach – New knowledge and skills are introduced.
3. Practice/Apply – We practice using the skills and new knowledge in a context.

▶ Skills

1. Phoneme recognition – sounds that letters make
2. Word reading
3. Blending
4. Segmenting

Key vocabulary

During phonics lessons, Teachers and Teaching Assistants will use the following vocabulary. This will support the children to become confident readers and writers.

- ▶ **Phoneme:** the smallest units of sound that are found within a word
- ▶ **Grapheme:** the spelling of the sound e.g. th or ch
- ▶ **Digraph:** two letters that make one sound when read
- ▶ **Trigraph:** three letters that make one sound
- ▶ **Quadgraph:** four letters that make one sound
- ▶ **CVC:** stands for consonant, vowel, consonant
- ▶ **Segmenting:** breaking up a word into its sounds
- ▶ **Blending:** putting the sounds together to read a word
- ▶ **Tricky words:** words that cannot easily be decoded

What can I do to help?



Reading everyday with your child will help them to become a confident reader.



Yellow Word Wall

I	put	like	come	out	says
the	has	are	little	oh	your
is	she	her	one	today	love
as	me	all	heard	Mr	once
a	be	they	were	Mrs	friend
no	we	have	pushes	people	
go	he	said	there	their	
of	was	call	what	called	
to	you	so	sure	looked	
into	my	do	after	ask	
his	by	some	when	asked	



Make reading opportunities fun!





Please speak to your child's class teacher or myself if you have any questions.

Thank you for coming!