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Reception Children Reading at Home

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now more than halfway through the school year and we are so proud of the children for the continued effort they are putting into learning to read. They really are using lots of Grit power! Throughout the Reception year, we gradually introduce resources to support them.

To help your child become a successful reader, it is essential for an adult to help them practise skills every day at home in a quiet space. Please include the below sheets in your regular reading time.

Thank you for your support. A little bit of reading practice every day makes a big difference!

Yours sincerely,
Clare Morton
Early Reading Lead






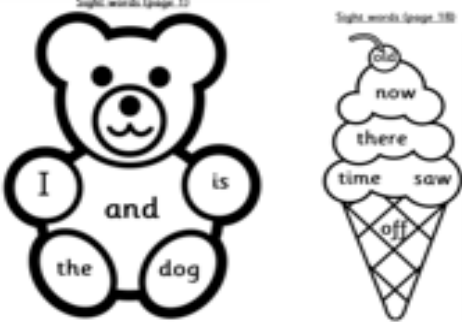

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<p>Decoding Sounds Your child may benefit from extra practise to read individual sounds. Use the sound mat we gave you at parents evening to help. It is also attached to this email. The pictures remind your child of an action to go with it.</p> <p>Help your child by using the sound and not the letter name, when reading.</p>	 <p>These videos show the sounds and actions: Phase 2 (with the orange border) https://youtu.be/orqT92Roms Phase 3 (with the purple border) https://youtu.be/BW5Vz9CVMgk Keep this sheet to use at home.</p>
<p>Blending Sounds Support your child to read a manageable number of pages in their reading book. Most of the words are decodable (you can sound them out), but some are Tricky Words such as 'the' (the children are learning that "You can't sound them out!").</p> <p>You may need to prompt them to "Sound it out".</p> <p>if they can do this but can't yet say the word, prompt them to "Listen and blend" while they/you say the sounds.</p>	  <p>Please keep this book in your child's book bag.</p>
<p>Reading Sight Words Help your child to learn the words on their Sight Words sheets off by heart. These are the most frequently used words in books and it helps if children can read these instantly without sounding them out. Practise the words in a different order each time! We will give your child a new sheet when they can instantly read each word, without sounding out. When they are given the next sheet, please continue to practise previous sheets to maintain their learning.</p>	 <p>Keep this sheet to use at home. Your child could colour each word when they can confidently read it.</p>
<p>Sharing Book When they are becoming a more confident reader, your child may also bring home a sharing book, which contains decodable words and a greater number of Tricky Words and Sight Words.</p>	

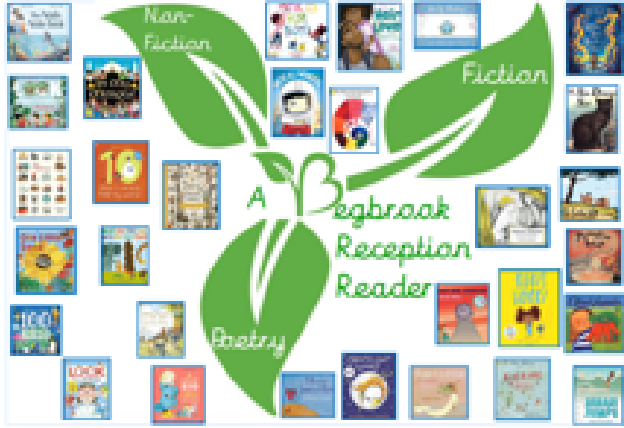

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<p>The eye sticker reminds them that they need to use their eyes to help spot these.</p>	<p>Please keep this book in your child's book bag.</p>
<p>Reading Tree Book This is a high-quality book to share together, aiming for the child to develop a love of reading for pleasure. It is not intended for the child to read themselves independently.</p> <p>Children can tick each book on the sheet in their reading record, as they read it.</p>	 <p>This book can be kept at <u>home</u>, but returned to change each Wednesday.</p>
<p>Record Your Reading Please make a brief note of your reading practise in their yellow reading record book.</p> <p>Regular readers are given a raffle ticket for a prize draw at the end of each double term. The children are very motivated!</p>	 <p>Please keep this book in your child's book bag.</p>



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