



Reading Curriculum Document

Aims of subject:

We would like the children to demonstrate:

- Excellent knowledge and skills in phonics.
- Age-appropriate fluency with the tools to tackle unfamiliar vocabulary across the curriculum.
- Knowledge of an extensive and rich vocabulary.
- An excellent comprehension of texts in a range of genres.
- The motivation to read for pleasure as well as study.
- Extensive knowledge through having read a rich and varied range of texts.

Phonics

At Brookhurst, we believe that all our children can become fluent readers and writers. This is why we teach reading through *Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised*, which is a systematic and synthetic phonics programme. We start teaching phonics in Reception and follow the [Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised progression](#), which ensures children build on their growing knowledge of the alphabetic code, mastering phonics to read and spell as they move through school. We teach phonics for up to 30 minutes a day and use Friday as a consolidation lesson. Each reading practice session focus on three key reading skills:

- decoding
- prosody: teaching children to read with understanding and expression
- comprehension: teaching children to understand the text.

Lesson structure

| Revisit & review | Teach and practise | | | | | Practise and apply | | Reading decodable books |
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| Previously taught GPCs | New phoneme | New GPC | Oral blending | Teacher-led blending and | Tricky words | Read the phrase/sentence | Spelling | |

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Full progression programme - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Programme-Overview-Reception-and-Year-1-1.pdf>

Targeted support

To ensure every child secures their learning, we use daily 'keep-up sessions' which follow the same lesson structure and revisit the learning intention. Alongside daily assessment for learning, the children are assessed every 6 weeks to track their progress.

Children sit the Phonics Screening Check in Year 1. Any who do not pass will continue to have Little Wandle Letters and Sounds provision and will resit the Phonics Screening Check in Year 2. Children in Year 2 – 6 who are not secure in phonics will continue to be formatively assessed by their class teacher and will receive additional phonics 'Keep-up' sessions by a trained adult.

Guided Reading EYFS/ KSI

Children will be grouped into guided reading groups from teacher formative assessments and through the half-termly Little Wandle assessments.

| Guided Reading | |
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| Reception and Year 1 | |
| Teacher Focus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guided group with teacher Matched decodable book 3 lessons that focus on: decoding, prosody and comprehension |
| Reading Continuous provision during group reading | <p><u>Decoding activities:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share the grapheme cards that will be in the book Practise the tricky words Matching pictures to unfamiliar vocabulary Read the word cards for at least four words from the book Tapping into the children to hear them read <p><u>Prosody activities:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read the grapheme cards Read the tricky words Check that children remember the meaning of unfamiliar vocabulary Read the word cards from the book encouraging them to read without overt blending Model reading preselected pages with prosody Discuss characters' feelings, words meaning and punctuation Individual reading of pages with prosody Quick practise of spelling sounds and some words from the book <p><u>Comprehension activities (based on the KSI content domains):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read the grapheme cards Speed read any multisyllabic words |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check for misconceptions and model correct pronunciation • Explain the comprehension skill from the chosen domain • Ask the question • Ask the children to read aloud to find the answer • Ask the children to show how they know the answer |
| Other reading provision | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily reading as part of phonics • Daily reading in Literacy and cross-curricular lessons • 1:1 for selected children • Targeted support groups (including keep up sessions) • Home reading (reading records) • Reading displays including tricky words and sounds covered to refer to |

From Summer term, Year 1 will begin to move to whole-class reading using Cracking Comprehension resources to support.

Whole-Class Reading

Year 2 – 6

- Whole-class reading is used to teach reading from Year 2 – 6 to all children and activities are differentiated to suit the needs of the learners.
- Teachers will use formative assessments during these lessons to assess children's progress against the content domains.
- Whole-class reading is taught a minimum of three times a week and in some cases daily.
- Resources such as Cracking Comprehension may be used to support these lessons or teacher's may use their own selected texts that suit their curriculum topic. Text selections are made from recommendations or sources such as, The Local Authority, PiXL, The Literacy Shed, The Book Trust, Warwickshire Library Service, CLPE (Centre for Literacy in Primary Education) and the Leamington North cluster.
- Time taken on exploring a text will depend on the length of the chosen text and opportunities for learning.

Recommended lesson structure that may be adapted.

| Week 1 | Week 2 |
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| Model reading Fluency/ prosody practise Highlight any unfamiliar vocabulary Vocabulary activities Spelling activities Orally answer questions linking to the content domains | Content domain focused activities |

Home Reading and Reading for Pleasure

EYFS/KSI

- Children take home 2 books: one being a decodable reading book matched to the child's phonological attainment and the other is a book they would like to read for pleasure with their parent or carer.
- An 'Introduction to phonics' meeting takes place in Reception to support parent and carers at home with reading.
- During 'Welcome meetings' parents and carers are advised to read with their child daily, first focusing on fluency and then asking comprehension questions. There is also a list of questions that they could ask on our My School App.
- Each child in Reception and Year 1 receives a reading record which parents, carers and teachers can use to communicate and monitor reading progress.
- Children not reading regularly at home are identified quickly and are made 'priority readers' for 1:1 reading in school.

KS2

- When children have passed the Phonics Screening Check and completed Little Wandle Letters and Sounds, they will be able to choose books to read from the school library, book corner or home if they wish.
- Teachers will be reading with children during their 20 minutes independent reading time, checking their book choice is an appropriate choice and chatting about what they have read.
- Teachers may also occasionally recommend a different book if we feel that aren't enjoying what they're reading for any reason, but this will be after discussion with the child.
- Each child has a bookmark where they can write down books they've read and make any comments about a book. A parent/ carer can also write on these to communicate with the teacher about reader progress.
- Independent reading time is in addition to story time where they can relax and listen to texts for pleasure.

Support for Parents/ Carers

- An 'Introduction to phonics' meeting takes place in Reception to support parent and carers at home with reading.

- Parents are also directed to the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds website which has 'how to videos' to support parents/ carers with pronunciation, how we teach phonics and how to support reading at home.
- During 'Welcome meetings' parents and carers are advised to read with their child daily, first focusing on fluency and then asking comprehension questions. There are also a list of questions that they could ask on our My School App.

Vocabulary

- Curriculum topics are supported with vocabulary cards, word mats or recall cards and are displayed to support the children's writing.
- Unfamiliar vocabulary is explored and contextualised.
- Vocabulary is also encouraged to be practised through the PiXL Vocabulary App.

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|  <p>Quick-fire GPS recall</p> <p>Grammar</p> <p>Adjectives: _____</p> <p>Spot the adjectives: The red ball fell onto the floor, which was wet.</p> |  <p>Quick-fire GPS recall</p> <p>Grammar</p> <p>Adjectives describe things They describe the noun or pronoun</p> <p>Spot the adjectives: The red ball fell onto the floor, which was wet.</p> |
|  <p>Quick-fire GPS recall</p> <p>Grammar</p> <p>Adverbs: _____</p> <p>Spot the adverbs: Later, he decided to read quietly.</p> |  <p>Quick-fire GPS recall</p> <p>Grammar</p> <p>Adverbs describe how, when or where something happened They describe words other than nouns.</p> <p>Spot the adverbs: Later, he decided to read quietly.</p> |

Motivational texts

- Each unit of English is underpinned by core, motivational texts. These are outlined on the English LTP and are updated annually.
- Other suggested reads are also mapped out and provide opportunities for reading for pleasure.

Summative assessments

- Summative phonics assessments take place every half-term or 6 weeks.
- Summative PiXL diagnostic assessments take place throughout the year (please see PiXL calendar).
- Year 2 SATs
- Year 6 SATs