

# Reading in Reception.

## Phonics sessions and early reading.

To begin with, your child will bring home a library book to share.

We do not expect your child to independently read the book they choose.

It is one you can read with them and talk about the pictures, characters, setting and story plot.

Once the children are settled, and we have introduced the first set of pure letter sounds in our phonic sessions, the children will also access reading scheme books. These books are phonetically decodable; they support our Sounds Write Scheme teaching of the "Initial Code." Every 2 weeks, we will place stickers in your child's Reading Record detailing the sounds introduced so far. Please keep an eye out for them.

Reading books match the phonic phase or stage of the Initial Code your child is working within. Some children may already know the phonic alphabet; these children will bring home a book suitable for supporting and challenging their progression.

Please read with your child each night; help them to spot the letters and talk about the events in the book. For more information on pronouncing the letter sounds, please visit [www.southendinfant.com/receptionintake2022](http://www.southendinfant.com/receptionintake2022)

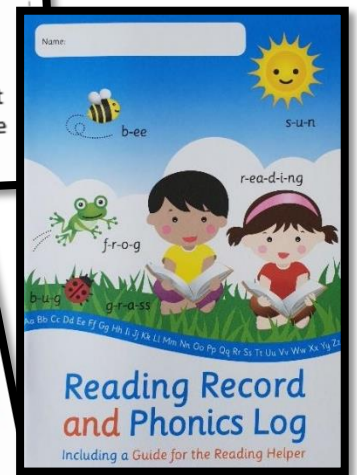


Sounds Write						
Initial Code						
1	a	i	m	s	t	
2	n	o	p			
3	b	c	g	h		
4	d	e	f	v		
5	k	l	r	u		
6	j	w	z			
7	x	y	ff	ll	ss	zz
8	sh	ch	th	ck	wh	ng

The pure letter sounds we are learning this week are:

**a i m s t**

For pronunciation of letter sounds/initial code please visit Our School Website "Reception Intake 2022" and click the Sounds Write links.



**We ask all books are kept in your child's book bag when not being used** as they are expensive. Your child will exchange their book twice a week. They must have their existing book with them, in order to get a new one. The Sounds Write Scheme and our Literacy teaching/activities encompass the importance of re-reading books, to increase confidence, comprehension and fluency. Hence why we do not change books every day and why we hear your child read the book you read at home and vice versa.

## Reading Celebration.

To celebrate reading, we reward the number of nights your child reads at home. We issue certificates and celebrate reading effort. On completing our Reading Reward Certificate challenge children receive a book of their choice. This will begin in Autumn 2.

### Useful links:

<https://www.southendinfant.com/reception-1/> This has *Top Tips* for reading with your child.

<https://www.southendinfant.com/phonics-reading/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a8ZMfYjdN-s>

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you

EYFS Team.