

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are pleased to let you know that your child can receive a daily phonics lesson during school closures using the Read Write Inc. programme that we follow in school. Phonics is how we teach children to read by recognising sounds and blending these sounds together to read words. It is an essential part of children's education and learning to read provides opportunities to learn across the curriculum.

Over the coming weeks, you will be able to access a daily phonics Speed Sounds lesson where children will be introduced to a new sound or revise a known sound every day. This will involve practising and recognising the sound as well as reading words that contain the sound. There will also be a spelling lesson available that allows children to practise writing the sound they have learnt in words.

All phonics lessons can be found on the [RWI YouTube Channel](#). Each lesson is ten to fifteen minutes long and will be available for 24 hours so you can access these phonics lessons at any point in the day. They follow the same structure as the lessons we provide in school and therefore children will be familiar with these.

There are three sets of daily lessons to choose from: Set 1, Set 2 and Set 3. We suggest your child starts with one set of lessons most suitable to their year group **and** reading ability. If you are not sure which lessons your child should watch, please contact your child's class teacher via the class email and they will be able to recommend which lessons are the most appropriate for your child.

Set 1 – for children in Nursery and Reception and children who are new to English

- Set 1 Speed Sounds 9:30am
- Set 1 Word Time 9:45am
- Set 1 Spelling 10:00am

Set 2 – for children in Reception that can read Set 1 Speed Sounds and for children in Year 1 and Year 2

- Set 2 Speed Sounds and Word Time 10:00am
- Set 2 Spelling 10:15am

Set 3 – for children in Year 1 and Year 2 that can read Set 2 Speed Sounds

- Set 3 Speed Sounds and Word Time 10:30am
- Set 3 Spelling 10:45am

Don't worry if you miss a session, one video a day will be replayed once all the set has been shown. Please see attached the Speed Sounds lesson schedule. We are encouraging all Early Years and Key Stage 1 children to access these phonics sessions daily from Monday 27th April.

Alongside this there is further guidance and phonics resources on the [Oxford Owl website](#) to support your child with their phonics at home as well as access to [free Read Write Inc. e-books](#). If you are unsure which colour phonics books your child has been reading, please contact your child's class teacher via the class email and they will be able to share this information with you.

The online lessons are designed to follow the Read Write Inc. programme your child has been learning in school. As with all online content, parents and carers are advised to supervise their child's use of the internet. Further information and guidance on this can be found on websites such as [ParentInfo](#) and [Internet Matters](#).

We hope that you will find the phonics lessons and resources useful for supporting your child's learning in reading during these unprecedented times. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher via the class email if you have any further questions. There is also Read Write Inc. parent and carer hotline that you can contact via the email: homereading@ruthmiskin.com with any queries.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "LTonge". The letters are cursive and connected.

Miss L Tonge
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