Teaching and Learning Phonics at Burnham on Crouch Primary School









Aims

- To share how phonics is taught.
- To develop parents' confidence in helping their children with phonics and reading
- To teach the basics of phonics and some useful phonics terms
- To outline the different stages in phonic development
- To show examples of activities and resources we use to teach phonics
- To give parents an opportunity to ask questions



What is phonics and how can I help my child at home?



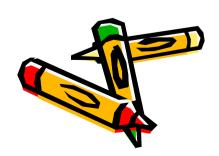
Phonics is all about using ...

skills for reading and spelling



knowledge of the alphabet

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





- Daily Phonics
 Every day the children have 20 minute sessions of phonics.
- · Fast paced approach
- · Lessons encompass a range of games, songs and rhymes
- ·We use the Letters and Sounds planning document to support the teaching of phonics and Jolly Phonics.
- ·There are 6 phonics phases which the children work through at their own pace

Phonic terms your child will learn at school

- Phonemes: The smallest units of sound that are found within a word
- · Grapheme: The spelling of the sound e.g. Th
- · Diagraph: Two letters that make one sound when read
- · Trigraphs: Three letters that make one sound
- · CVC: Stands for consonant, vowel, consonant.
- · Segmenting is breaking up a word into its sounds.
- Blending: Putting the sounds together to read a word
- · Tricky words: Words that cannot easily be decoded.



Phase 1: Getting ready for phonics

- 1. Tuning into sounds
- 2. Listening and remembering sounds
- 3. Talking about sounds

 Music and movement

 Rhythm and rhyme

 Sound effects
 - Speaking and listening skills

Phase 2: Learning phonemes to read and

write simple words

· Children will learn their first 19 phonemes:

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Set 1: s a t p Set 2: i n m d

Set 3: g o c k Set 4: ck (as in duck) e u r

Set 5: h b l f ff (as in puff) ll (as in hill)

ss (as in hiss)
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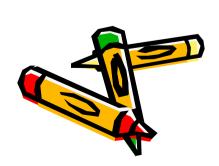
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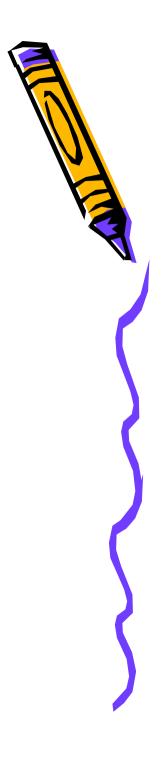
sat, tap, dig, duck, rug, puff, hill, hiss

All these words contain 3 phonemes.

Saying the sounds

 Sounds should be articulated clearly and precisely.





Your children will learn to use the term:

Blending

· Children need to be able to hear the separate sounds in a word and then blend them together to Say the whole word.

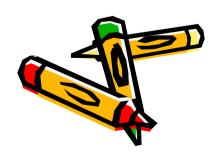


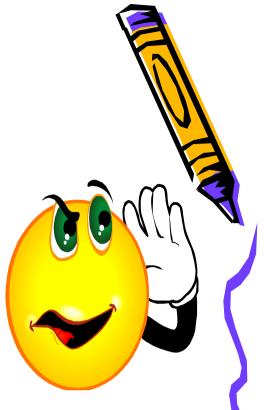
Blending /b/ /e/ /d/ = bed /t/ /i/ /n/ = tin /m/ /u/ /g/= mug

Your children will learn to use the term:

Segmenting

· Children need to be able to hear a whole word and Say every sound that they hear.





Segmenting

bed = /b/ /e//d/

tin= /t/ /i/ /n/

mug= /m//u//g/

How can I help at home?

Oral blending: the robot game

Children need to practise hearing a series of spoken sounds and merging them together to make a word.

For example, you say 'b-u-s', and your child says 'bus'.



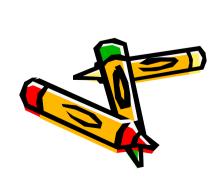
Your children will learn to use the term:

phoneme

Phonemes are sounds that can be heard in words

e.g. c-a-t







Your children will learn to use the term:

grapheme

This is how a phoneme is written down





Your children will learn to use the term:

digraph

This means that the phoneme comprises of two letters e.g. II, ff, ck, ss

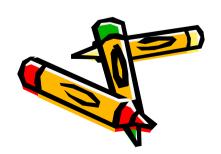




Tricky Words

There are many words that **cannot** be blended or segmented because they are irregular.

the was said you some



Phase 3:

Learning the long vowel phonemes

- · Children will enter phase 3 once they know the first 19 phonemes and can blend and segment to read and spell CVC words.
- They will learn another 26 phonemes:
- · j, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu
- · ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, ure, er
- They will use these phonemes (and the ones from Phase 2) to read and spell words:



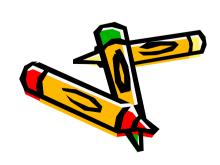
chip, shop, thin, ring, pain, feet, night, boat, boot, look, farm, fork, burn, town, coin, dear, fair, sure

Your children will learn to use the term:

Trigraph

This means that the phoneme comprises of three letters e.g. igh , ear, ure





Phase 4:

Introducing consonant clusters: reading as spelling words with four or more phoneme

- Children move into phase 4 when they know all the phonemes from phases 2 and 3 and can use them to read and spell simple words (blending to read and segmenting to spell).
- · Phase 4 doesn't introduce any new phonemes.
- It focuses on reading and spelling longer words with the phonemes they already know.
- These words have consonant clusters at the beginning: spot, trip, clap, green, clown

...or at the end: tent, mend, damp, burnt

...or at the beginning and end! trust, spend,

twist

Phase 5

Teach new graphemes for reading
ay, ou, ie, ea, oy, ir, ue, aw, wh, ph, ew,

oe, au,

a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e, u-e

Learn alternative pronunciations of graphemes (the same grapheme can represent more than one phoneme):

Fin/find, hot/cold, cat/cent, got/giant, but/put, cow/blow, tie/field, eat/bread, farmer/her, hat/what, yes/by/very, chin/school/chef, out/shoulder/could/you.



Learning all the variations!

Learning that the same phoneme can be represented in more than one way: burn

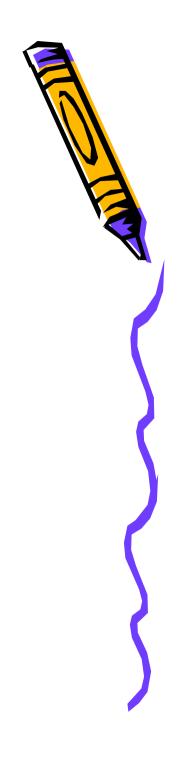
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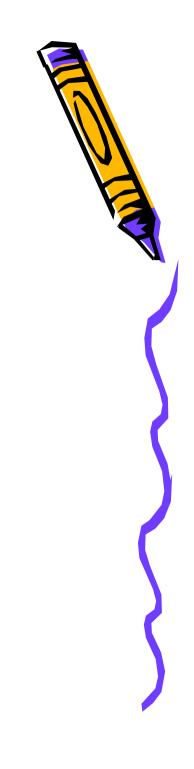
meat	bread
meai	Drea

he bed

bear hear

cow low





Teaching the split digraph

tie

time

toe

tone

cue

cube





Phase 6

- Phase 6 focuses on spellings and learning rules for spelling alternatives.
 Children look at syllables, base words, analogy and mnemonics.
- Children might learn about past tense, rules for adding 'ing' and irregular verbs
- · 'tion' and 'sion' words

Is there anything I can do at home?

y e s



How can I help at home?

· When spelling, encourage your child to think about what "looks right".

 Have fun trying out different options...wipe clean whiteboards are good for trying out spellings.

· tray

· rain

· boil

boy

· throat

snow

trai

rayn

boyl

boi

throwt

snoa

At home

- · Practise the phonemes together.
- Use them to make different words at home and play phonics games
- · Read everyday with your child if possible
- · Lots of websites with games to play
- · Alphablocks!



Don't forget...

Learning to read should be fun for both children and parents.



Any questions?

