

The Teaching of Reading Will Include:

- Regular, engaging phonic sessions every day using a range of engaging resources and strategies
- Opportunities to rehearse and practice skills following a planned scheme (Letters and Sounds)
- Explicitly taught strategies for decoding and encoding fluently, confidently and independently when reading and writing
- Regular Guided Reading sessions which allow pupils to develop a deeper understanding of a wide range of genres and texts
- Opportunities for children to read for pleasure and enjoyment
- Opportunities to apply these skills independently across the curriculum

Phonics and Reading

At Erdington Hall Primary School we aim to support children to become confident, fluent and independent readers with a love a books that will last a lifetime. We will achieve this through:

- Developing a whole school approach to phonics teaching
- Following the DfE recommended scheme 'Letters and Sounds' in Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage
- Providing reading experiences every day for all pupils
- Motivating and engaging pupils to develop as confident, successful readers and writers
- Supporting pupils who are working below age related expectations in reading.

To help at home:

Your child will start to bring books home when they are confident readers. Please help them to read and give lots of praise!

If you have any other questions about Letters and Sounds, please see your class teacher or see Miss Horne.

Phonics Screening Check Year One

What is the Year 1 phonics screening check?

The Year 1 phonics screening check is a short, light-touch assessment to confirm whether individual pupils have learnt phonic decoding to an appropriate standard.

It will identify the children who need extra help so they are given support by their school to improve their reading skills. They will then be able to retake the check so that schools can track pupils until they are able to decode.

Useful websites for Parents

Please find a list of websites that you may find useful in helping you and your child learn about phonics. Games and fun activity websites are also included.

<http://jollylearning.co.uk/> – Games and information for parents

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> – many games to play

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/phonics/play/> – fun games for the children to play

<http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html> – fun games for the children to play

http://www.kenttrustweb.org.uk/kentict/kentict_home.cfm – fun games for the children to play and information for parents

<http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/> – fun games for the children to play

<http://www.starfall.com/> – fun games for the children to play

<http://www.firstschoolyears.com/> – fun games for the children to play

BBC Bitesize – many games to play covering all areas of the curriculum