

Useful websites to support with reading at home

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/>

<http://jollylearning.co.uk/>

<http://www.focusonphonics.co.uk/acatalog/Links.html>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/advice-for-parents/reading-at-home/phonics-made-easy/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>

<http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html>



East Bierley CE (VC) Primary School

Reading

Parents' Information Booklet Key Stage 1



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Phonics


Throughout Key Stage 1, children should use their developing phonics skills to help them decode unfamiliar words. By the end of Year 1, children should be confident with applying sounds from Phase 2-5.

This website provides a clear overview of these phases and the sounds that are introduced:

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-are-phonics-phases>

As children progress throughout Key Stage 1, they will rely less on sounding words out as they begin to recognise them on sight. This will improve their fluency and pace in preparation for Key Stage 2.

How can I help with my **Phonics** child's phonics at home?

- Highlight sounds to help break the words down.

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- Go on a sound hunt in favourite books.
- Visit websites and apps that focus on phonics (see back of leaflet)

Developing comprehension

Along with the important skill of developing decoding and fluency skills, children are also assessed in their understanding of what they are reading.

We use **Reading Vipers** to help develop their comprehension skills. Reading vipers breaks down comprehension skills into key areas.

Key questions that link to each of these areas can be found on the separate Reading Vipers overview. These questions are great to use for when you are reading at home with your child.

Reading Vipers

Vocabulary
Infer
Predict
Explain
Retrieve
Sequence



Reading for pleasure

At East Bierley, we believe that developing a love of reading can have great benefits in children's reading progress. We ensure that we have daily **DEAR time** (Drop Everything and Read) in class where children are free to access and read books of their choice. We love to see children make choices about what they read. This could be stories, information texts, leaflets or programmes. Can you find at least 15 minutes a day at home for the family to enjoy DEAR time? Reading to your children also instills their love of reading and is an opportunity to hear reading being modelled.