

Introduction to the Phonics Challenge

Whilst we are away from school it is really important that your child keeps practising their phonics and tricky words so that they can use them in their reading and writing. There will be a phonics challenge on the website which will be regularly updated and which will help you to do this in a fun way. We really want to see what you are doing at home so please send some photos of things you have made with your child or of your child doing the challenge to phonics@ashford-primary.surrey.sch.uk

Our phonics teaching is split into phases and each year group is working on different phases. The table below will give some indication of where your child is currently working. This is just a guide and you may find that your child is not yet working on that phase, that's fine, just look at the phase below.

In each phase the children learn sounds and use them to read and write words and sentences. The tricky words which are taught are words the children just need to learn, they cannot use their sounds to decode them.

Year group	Phonics phase	Tricky words learnt.
Reception	2 and 3	the, to, no, go, I he, she, we, me, be, was, you, they, all, are, my, her
Year 1	3, 4 and 5	he, she, we, me, be, was, you, they, all, are, my, her said, have, like, so, do, some, come, were, there, little, one, when, out, what oh, their, people, Mr, Mrs, looked, called, asked, could Year 1 also have a list of words to learn to read and write which are below.
Year 2	5 and 6	oh, their, people, Mr, Mrs, looked, called, asked, could Year 2 also have a list of words to learn to read and write which are below.

For further information on the phonics phases and some useful resources please see:

<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/>

Phase 2

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Games

If you click on the introduction tab for the phase you are looking at it will show you the sounds learnt in that particular phase.

It can be tricky to know how to say the sounds. There are some videos online which can help with this. Mr Thorne's phonics on You tube has a video for each sound:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/breakthruChris/videos>

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

door	gold	plant	clothes
floor	hold	path	busy
poor	told	bath	people
because	every	hour	water
find	great	move	again
kind	break	prove	half
mind	steak	improve	money
behind	pretty	sure	Mr
child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
children	after	eye	parents
wild	fast	could	Christmas
climb	last	should	everybody
most	past	would	even
only	father	who	
both	class	whole	
old	grass	any	
cold	pass	many	

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Please see the first phonics challenge on the website for an opportunity to practise these words and sounds in a fun way. Don't forget to send us through some examples of the work you have been doing!