

Phonics Statement

The phonics method of reading and spelling is taught daily to pupils in Foundation and Key Stage 1 using the Letters and Sounds synthetic phonics programme. The children are taught to blend phonemes in order to read and segment words into their sounds in order to spell. Each session has plenty of opportunity for adult modelling, practising together and for children to show they can demonstrate the skills that they have learned independently.

The national Phonics screening check is performed in June of Year 1. Prior to this, the Year 1 phonics workshop gives parents information about how they can support their children at home with phonics. The purpose of the screening check is to confirm that all children have learned phonic decoding to an age-appropriate standard. The children who do not meet the required standard for the check in Year 1 enter again in Year 2 with additional support. As children enter Key Stage 2, provision is made for those who are still requiring daily phonics.