



Phonics and Early Reading at NPPS



How you can help at home

You do not need to be a phonics expert to support your child. The most helpful things you can do are:

- read little and often
- practise the sounds your child is learning
- encourage your child to say the sounds before blending
- keep reading positive and relaxed
- praise effort and perseverance
- re-read books to build fluency

Helpful prompts:...

- "What sounds can you hear?"
- "Let's say the sounds and read the word."



How Sounds-Write works

Sounds-Write lessons are:

- structured
- systematic
- daily

Each lesson is built on review, new learning and retrieval and includes:

1. Review of previous learning
2. New learning for the current unit
3. Retrieval through reading and writing in connected text

This helps children remember and apply what they have learned.

Reading books:

Every Monday, children will bring home 2 different books:

- Sounds-Write book (to practise blending, segmenting and decoding)
- Library book (for an adult to read aloud at home)

Sounds-Write books are usually below the level being taught in class, because they are for practising skills children are already learning.

