

English

Reading and Phonics

- **Read and share stories** with your child each day. Use the 'Reading Help Sheet' for ideas of questions to ask your child as you read each time.
- **Tricky Words:** read these each day. These should be words the children can read quickly and confidently so practise every day! (See tricky words list.)
- **Phonics Play:** use this free, interactive website for 15 minutes each day. (Practise all of Phase 2, 3 and 4 sounds. See list of selected phase 5 sounds).
- **YouTube:** Mr Thorne does phonics. If the children are unsure on any sounds, there are some great videos which teach the sounds. The children really enjoy watching these and it is a great tool to revise letters and sounds.
- **Lexia:** 15 minutes each day.

Writing

- After your child has read their reading book, encourage them to write 3 sentences about a picture on one of the pages. Ensure they are using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces between each word.
- Get them to re-write their favourite Traditional Tales (e.g. The Three Little Pigs, Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the Three Bears etc.) This will be a challenge and they will need support arranging their ideas. It may be that they write a few sentences at a time, adding a little to their story each day.
- Alphabet. Sing the alphabet each day. Get your child to write down the alphabet, matching upper case letters to lower case ones. E.g. Aa Bb Cc etc.