



## Reading in the Early Years and Key Stage 1

We teach reading principally in the early stages through phonics, following both the Foundation Stage Framework and then in Years 1 and 2 the new National Curriculum. High quality teaching in phonic skills and knowledge takes place daily.

As children become increasingly confident in the skills of blending in order to read words, their learning is further supported through a rich range of reading activities, including whole class, individual and group reading sessions. We have a large selection of good quality fiction, poetry and non-fiction reading books to stimulate and encourage reading. In the early stages, these are phonics based and remain so until children are secure decoders.

Schemes and materials to support the learning of reading are as follows:

North Somerset Learning Exchange phonics programme

Bug Club (Pearson)

Oxford Reading Tree

Collins Pathways

Oxford Literacy Web

Scolastic Readers

Once children can read fluently and with a good understanding, they self-select books for independent reading from the school library or from home.



We actively encourage parental involvement in hearing and encouraging reading at home and a love of reading for pleasure and information. Please come and see us if you would like any further help and support and watch out for the arrival for our new 'Reading at Home' booklet for parents!