

Reading Progression Document – Updated September 2022

	EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3 and 4	Y5 and 6
Word Reading	 Hear and say the initial sound in words. Segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them. Link sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet. Begin to read words and simple sentences. Use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately. Read some common irregular words. Read phonically regular words of more than one syllable as well as many rregular but high frequency words. 	Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words. Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, where applicable, alternative sounds for graphemes. Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words. Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words. Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught Read common exception words. Read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word. Read words containing taught GPCs and -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and -est endings.	Continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent. Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes. Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same graphemes as above. Read words containing common suffixes. Read further common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word. Read most words [at an instructional level 93-95%] quickly and accurately, without overt sounding and blending, when they have been frequently encountered. Read aloud books closely matched to their improving	Apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology) as listed in English Appendix 1, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words they meet. Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word.	Apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (morphology and etymology), as listed in English Appendix 1, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet.

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		ϖ Read other words of more	phonic knowledge, sounding out		
		than one syllable that contain	unfamiliar words accurately,		
		taught GPCs.	automatically and without undue		
		Read words with contractions	hesitation.		
		[for example, I'm, I'll, we'll],	Re-read these books to build up		
		and understand that the	their fluency and confidence in		
		apostrophe represents the	word reading.		
		omitted letter(s).			
		Read aloud accurately books			
		that are consistent with their			
		developing phonic knowledge			
		and that do not require them			
		to use other strategies to work			
		out words.			
		Re-read these books to build			
		up their fluency and			
		confidence in word reading.			
Comprehension	Continue a rhyming string.	Develop pleasure in reading,	Develop pleasure in reading,	Listening to and discussing a	continuing to read and discuss an
comprehension	, , ,	11 0/			0
	Use vocabulary and forms of	motivation to read, vocabulary	motivation to read, vocabulary	wide range of fiction, poetry,	increasingly wide range of fiction,
	speech that are increasingly	and understanding by:	and understanding by: 2 listening	plays, non-fiction	poetry, plays, non-fiction and
	influenced by	listening to and discussing a	to, discussing and expressing	and reference books or	reference books or textbooks;
	their experiences of books	wide range of poems, stories	views about a wide range of	textbooks;	reading books that are structured in
	Enjoy an increasing range of	and non-fiction at a level	contemporary and classic poetry,	Reading books that are	different ways and reading for a
	books.	beyond that at which they can	stories and non-fiction at a level	structured in different ways and	range of purposes;
	Know that information can be	read independently;	beyond that at which they can	reading for a range	σ increasing their familiarity with a
	retrieved from books and	being encouraged to link what	read independently-	of purposes;	wide range of books, including
	computers.	they read or hear read to their	discussing the sequence of	using dictionaries to check the	myths, legends and traditional
	Understand humour, eg,	own experiences;	events in books and how items of	meaning of words that they	stories, modern fiction, fiction from
	nonsense rhymes, jokes.	becoming very familiar with	information are related;	have read;	our literary heritage, and books from
	Follow instructions involving	key stories, fairy stories and	becoming increasingly familiar	identifying themes and	other cultures and traditions;
	several ideas or actions.	traditional tales;	with a wider range of stories,	conventions in a wide range of	recommending books that they have
	Answer 'how' and 'why'	drawing on what they already	fairy stories and traditional tales;	books;	read to their peers, giving
	questions about their	know or on background	retell a range of stories, fairy	preparing poems and play scripts	reasons for their choices;
	experiences and in	information and vocabulary	stories and traditional tales;	to read aloud and to perform,	identifying and discussing themes and
	response to stories or events.	provided by the teacher;	being introduced to non-fiction	showing	conventions in and across a wide
	Listen to stories, accurately	checking that the text makes	books that are structured in	understanding through	range of writing;
	anticipating key events and	sense to them as they read;	different ways;	intonation, tone, volume and	making comparisons within and
	respond to what they hear	was they read correcting	recognising simple recurring	action	across books;
	with relevant comments,	inaccurate reading;	literary language in stories and	Checking that the text makes	learning a wider range of poetry by
	questions or actions.	discussing the significance of	poetry;	sense to them, discussing their	heart;
		the title and events;	discussing their favourite words	understanding and explaining	Understand what they read by:
		making inferences on the basis	and phrases;	the meaning of words in	checking that the book makes sense
		of what is being said and done;	appreciate poems reciting some,	context;	to them, discussing their
			with appropriate intonation to		understanding and exploring the
			make the meaning clear.	I asking questions to improve	and copioning the
			make the meaning clear.	their understanding of a text;	
				their understanding of a text,	

	predicting what might happen	checking that the text makes	justifying inferences with	meaning of words in context;
	on the basis of what has been	sense to them as they read and	evidence:	drawing inferences such as inferring
	read so far.	-		characters' feelings, thoughts and
		correcting inaccurate reading	predicting what might happen	3 · · · 3
	Participate in discussion about	making inferences on the basis of	from details stated and implied;	motives from their actions;
	what is read to them, taking	what is being said and done;	identifying main ideas drawn	drawing inferences such as inferring
	turns and listening to what	answering and asking questions;	from more than one paragraph	characters' feelings, thoughts and
	others say.	predicting what might happen on	identifying how language,	motives from their actions, and
	their understanding of what is	the basis of what has been read	structure, and presentation	justifying inferences with evidence;
	read to them.	so far.	contribute to meaning	summarising the main ideas drawn
		Participate in discussion about	Retrieve and record information	from more than one paragraph,
		books, poems and other works	from non-fiction.	identifying key details that
		that are read to them and those	Participate in discussion about	support the main ideas;
		that they can read for	both books that are read to them	Identifying how language,
		themselves, taking turns and	and those	structure and presentation
		listening to what others say.	they can read for themselves,	contribute to meaning;
			taking turns and listening to what	Distinguish between statements of
			others say.	fact and opinion;
			,	Retrieve, record and present
				information from non-fiction;
				Participate in discussions about
				books that are read to them and
				those they can read for themselves;
				Explain and discuss their
				understanding of what they have
				read;
				Provide reasoned justifications for
				their views;

We ASPIRE for all our children to develop an appreciation and love of reading, and read increasingly challenging material independently through:

reading a wide range of fiction and non-fiction, including in particular:

whole books; short stories, poems and plays with a wide coverage of genres - historical periods; forms and authors; choosing and reading books independently for challenge, interest and enjoyment;

making critical comparisons across texts.

Understand increasingly challenging texts through:

learning new vocabulary, relating it explicitly to known vocabulary and understanding it with the help of context and dictionaries [eg, write a word not known in vocabulary book, look it up in a dictionary, use the word in own writing];

Imaking inferences and referring to evidence in the text

knowing the purpose, audience for and context of the writing and drawing on this knowledge to support comprehension;