

Autumn Term

Foundation Stage 2 - Letters and Sounds (phase 2)

What we have learnt so far...

Grapheme (written letter) and the corresponding phoneme (sound)	Tricky Words (sight words) - words that I cannot sound out, I just need to remember	High-Frequency Words - words that I will see lots of times in the books I read and all around me
s a t p i n m d g o c k c k e u r h b f, ff l, ll ss	Remind your child that these are tricky words that we can't use our sounds for, we just need to remember what they say. I no go to the	When you feel they are ready these are the words you can encourage your child to read without needing to sound out each time. is it in at and

Phase 1 - rehearsing our skills

Before Christmas we will continue to practise clapping the syllables from words and hearing and continuing a string of rhyming words (cat, mat, rat). We will also practise hearing the initial sound in a word and suggesting other words that begin with that sound such as in the game I-Spy (man, mirror, monkey).

We will continue to practise blending and segmenting what is known as onset and rime, for example, d - og, c - at, p - ip, as well as the trickier task of blending and segmenting words using their individual sounds, e.g. saying the word 'mat' when given 'm-a-t' or given 'sheep' and segmenting into 'sh-ee-p'. We will learn to 'sound talk' a word, e.g. giving the sounds p-i-n when asked to sound talk the word pin. All of this can be done orally - whilst driving in the car, walking, playing in the bath or sitting at the dinner table.

Some captions for practising reading - perhaps write them on strips of paper and hide them around the house or garden like a treasure hunt. You write the captions and your child draws a picture to match, can they read the sentence to find out what they need to draw?

pat a dog	a red rug	no lid on the pan	to the top of the hill
a cat in a hat	a cat on a bed	a kid in a cap	pack a pen in a bag
a pin on a map	a hug and a kiss	get off the bus	a doll in a cot
pots and pans	dad and nan	to huff and puff	a pup in the mud
a sad man	a nap in a cot	a bag of nuts	on top of the rock
a tin can	cats and dogs	a hot hob	go to the log hut
a cat on a bed	a cap on a peg	a duck and a hen	run to the den
a cat and a big fat rat	mugs and cups	get to the top	sit back to back