Alfriston Primary School

Phonics and Spelling Parents' Information Evening Tuesday 15th November 2016



Letters and Sounds

- Letters and Sounds is a phonics resource published by the Department for Education and Skills in 2007.
- It aims to build children's speaking and listening skills in their own right as well as to prepare children for learning to read by developing their phonic knowledge and skills.
- It sets out a detailed and systematic programme for teaching phonic skills for children starting by the age of five, with the aim of them becoming fluent readers by age seven.

What we teach during a phonics session-Letters and Sounds – phases

Phase One (Nursery/Reception)

Phase Two (Reception) up to 6 weeks

Phase Three (Reception) up to 12 weeks

Phase Four (Reception) 4 to 6 weeks

Phase Five (Throughout Year 1)

Phase Six (Throughout Year 2 and beyond)

Phonic Knowledge and Skills

Environmental sounds, instrumental sounds, body sounds, rhythm and rhyme, alliteration, voice sounds and oral blending and segmenting.

Learning 19 letters of the alphabet and one sound for each. Blending sounds together to make words. Segmenting words into their separate sounds. Beginning to read simple captions.

Learning the remaining 7 letters of the alphabet, one sound for each. Learning digraphs such as ch, oo, th. Reading captions, sentences and questions.

Children learn to blend and segment longer words with adjacent consonants, e.g. swim, clap, jump.

Children learn more graphemes for the phonemes which they already know, plus different ways of pronouncing the graphemes they already know – 'the complex code'.

Working on spelling, including prefixes and suffixes, doubling and dropping letters etc.



Your child will be taught how to pronounce the sounds purely and distinctly so they can blend to read and segment to spell.

Some should not be said like that! e.g. say 'c' 'a' 't' not 'cuh' 'a' 'tuh'

Do not add the 'schwa' sounds!!

Common Exception Words

These words do not fit the sound rules. We call them tricky words and children learn to read them on sight.

Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5
I	he	said	oh
no	she	have	Mrs
the	we	Like	people
to	me	50	their
go	be	do	called
into	you	some	Mr
	are	come	looked
	her	little	asked
	was	one	could
	all	were	
	they	there	
	my	what	
		when	
		out	6



Spelling in Key Stage 1



Year I and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one	door	gold	plant	clothes
a	be	once	floor	hold	path	busy
do	he	ask	poor	told	bath	people
to	me	friend	because	every	hour	water
today	she	school	find	great	more	again
of	we	put	kind	break	prove	half
said	no	push	mind	steak	improve	money
says	дo	pull	behind	pretty	sure	Mr
are	so	full	child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
were	by	house	children	after	eye	parents
was	my	our	wild	fast	could	Christmas
is	here		climb	last	should	everybody
his	there		most	past	would	even
has	where		only	father	who	
I	love		both	class	whole	
you	come		old	grass	any	
your	some		cold	pass	many	twinkl

Year 2

Suffixes -ing, -ed, -er and -est (with no change to the root word) A suffix is an 'ending' used at the end of a root word to turn it into another word.

-ing		-ed		-er		-est	
fly	flying	jump	jumped	high	higher	bright	brightest
sing	singing	Look	looked	tall	taller	great	greatest
go	going	lick	licked	help	helper	old	oldest
talk	talking	work	worked	mix	mixer	neat	neatest
cook	cooking	burn	burned	test	tester	soft	softest
climb	climbing	yell	yelled	cold	colder	warm	warmest
meet	meeting	gasp	gasped	small	smaller	Loud	loudest
buzz	buzzing	help	helped	teach	teacher	smart	smartest
play	playing	start	started	sing	singer	fast	fastest
help	helping	hunt	hunted	paint	painter	long	longest
cry	crying	watch	watched	catch	catcher	dull	dullest
eat	eating	touch	touched	clean	cleaner	sharp	sharpest
walk	walking	push	pushed	proud	prouder	Low	lowest
read	reading	wash	washed	watch	watcher	smooth	smoothest
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Suffixes -ment, -ful, -less, -ness and ly

A suffix is an 'ending' used at the end of a roat word to turn it into another word. Sametimes, the roat word has to be changed before a suffix is added.

Adding -ment can change a verb into a roun.

Adding -ful or -less can change verbs or nouns into adjectives.

Adding -ness can change an adjective into a roun.

Adding -ly can change an adjective into an adverb.

0 0	-ment		-ful/	-less
verb refresh enjay pay disappoint emplay manage gavern punish treat agree	noun refreshment enjayment disappointment employment management government punishment treatment agreement	verb or noun use care thought mind doubt hape fear help colour	adjective -ful useful careful thoughtful mirdful doubtful hapeful fearful helpful calourful	adjective -less useless careless thoughtless mindless doubtless hopeless fearless helpless calourless
-ness				-ly
adjective happy bright glaamy ill sad black ugly palite silly late	noun happiness brightness gloominess ill <u>ness</u> sadness blockness ugliness politeness silliness lateness	twinkl www.twiakl.ca.uk	adjective graceful praud bad quick laey angry light gentle hapeless narrow	adverb gracefully proudly badly duickly lazily argrily lightly gently hopelessly narrowly

Spelling in Key Stage 2



Spelling logs from year 3

 personalised spellings
 recorded and tested at
 least fortnightly

 Spelling logs should go between school and home (like the reading record)

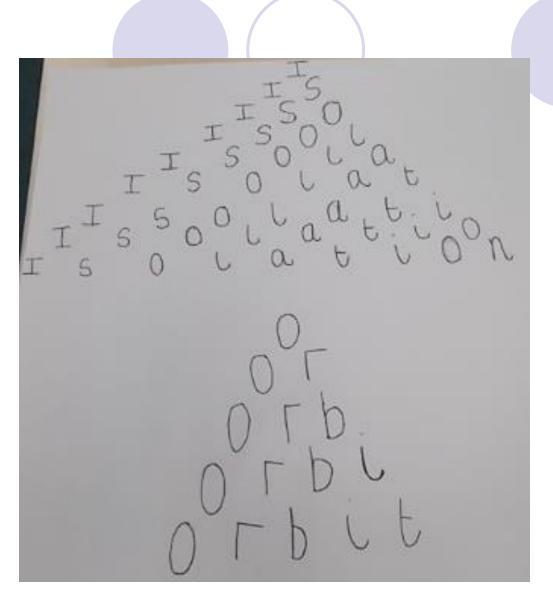
Word list – years 3 and 4

accident(ally) early actual(ly) earth address answer enough appear exercise arrive experience believe bicycle extreme breath famous breathe favourite build February busy/business forward(s) calendar fruit caught grammar centre group century guard certain guide circle heard complete heart consider height continue history decide imagine describe increase different important difficult interest disappear island

eight/eighth experiment

knowledge learn length library material medicine mention minute natural naughty notice occasion(ally) often opposite ordinary particular peculiar perhaps popular position possess(ion) possible potatoes pressure probably promise

purpose quarter question recent regular reign remember sentence separate special straight strange strength suppose surprise therefore though/although thought through various weight woman/women



Pyramid spelling

Children build the word one letter at a time, creating a pyramid

Doodle writing

Children create a doodle on the page, then write their spelling in amongst the doodle. Using their neatest writing build familiarity the pattern and of the word.

Rainbow Writing

Children write their spelling in their neatest handwriting, using their favourite colour. They then go over the word in a second colour, then a third, then a fourth etc. until they have run out of colours!

Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check

This is a familiar method that can be effective as children look closely at the word and say it, perhaps sounding it out, before writing it down then checking their spelling.

Spelling games and activities

- Create a wordsearch or crossword
- Unjumble anagrams of the words
- Find spelling patterns

Word list - years 5 and 6

accommodate accompany according achieve aggressive amateur ancient apparent appreciate attached available average awkward bargain bruise category cemetery committee communicate community competition conscience* conscious* controversy convenience correspond

criticise (critic + ise) curiosity definite desperate determined develop dictionary disastrous embarrass environment equip (-ped, -ment) especially exaggerate excellent existence explanation familiar foreign forty frequently government guarantee harass hindrance identity immediate(ly)

individual interfere interrupt language leisure lightning marvellous mischievous muscle necessary neighbour nuisance occupy OCCUL opportunity parliament persuade physical prejudice privilege profession programme pronunciation queue recognise recommend

relevant restaurant rhyme rhythm sacrifice secretary shoulder signature sincere(ly) soldier stomach sufficient suggest symbol system temperature thorough twelfth variety vegetable vehicle yacht

Identifying and addressing personal spelling errors

- Children have the opportunity to review their own written work;
- They may identify spelling errors by underlining the incorrect section of the word;
- They are then encouraged to check the spellings.

Using text

- Our approach to the teaching of English -'Reading into Writing';
- Children may be encouraged to find spelling patterns and conventions in texts read;
- We also undertake investigations into spelling patterns and vocabulary for different purposes.

Spelling investigations

- Children may look at specific spelling patterns, e.g. ough, -tial and –cial
- Deriving rules
- Finding and making links

Glossary

Term	Definition	Example
Phoneme	A phoneme is the smallest unit of sound	The word <i>cat</i> has three letters and
	that signals a distinct, contrasting meaning.	three phonemes: c a t
	There are around 44 phonemes in English;	The word <i>catch</i> has five letters and
	the exact number depends on regional accents.	three phonemes: c a tch
	A single phoneme may be represented in writing by one, two, three or four letters constituting a single grapheme.	
Grapheme	A letter, or combination of letters, that	The grapheme <i>t</i> in the words <i>ten,</i>
	corresponds to a single phoneme within a	<i>bet</i> and <i>ate</i> corresponds to the
	word.	phoneme /t/.
		The grapheme <i>ph</i> in the word
		dolphin corresponds to the
		phoneme /f/.
Digraph and	A type of grapheme where two letters	The digraph <i>ea</i> in <i>each</i>
	represent one phoneme.	The digraph <i>sh</i> in <i>shed</i>
Split digraph	Sometimes, these two letters are not next	The split digraph <i>i–e</i> in <i>line</i>
	to one another; this is called a split digraph.	
Trigraph	A type of grapheme where three letters	High, pure, patch, hedge
	represent one phoneme	