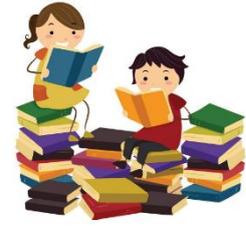


Reading



We love reading and believe every child can become a fluent reader. Learning to read fluently ensures a child can access the full curriculum independently and 'opens the door' to learning and future success.

We believe phonics is the fundamental tool for reading. At Bardney, we have introduced a new phonics scheme – 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised' phonics programme.

We have been extremely busy sorting our current home reader book stock to ensure this follows the same progression as this new scheme, ensuring children are supported fully in their application of their phonics skills.

As such we have made some changes to our current book provision:

Home Readers

Reception - Wordless Picture books

In reception, children will begin their reading journey by using a wordless picture book from our reading scheme. We use these books to establish book behaviours, book talk and to grow vocabulary. A letter with more information and ideas about how to use these wordless picture books to support your child's reading will be sent home.

Once reception children have a secure knowledge of the initial sounds and can blend to read simple words (e.g sat, man) they will move onto to using worded phonic reading scheme books.

KS1

In Reception and Year 1, **we are no longer using book band colours**, instead pupils will be sent home with a book that matches their individual phonics reading level. **The books sent home are to be read independently and you should find your child can read around 90% of the book fluently – For every 10 words your child reads, they should only need to decode 1 word.** This is a research-based approach to build their reading confidence, success and comprehension.

Please note that the books that are in our new phonics reading scheme have a coloured sticker at the bottom of the spine and will also have the phase and set the books belongs to written on them. For example, a book in Phase 2, set 1 will have a pink sticker with 'Ph 2, Set 1' written on it.

Please remember it is not just about reading the book once or racing onto a harder book. Children should **revisit and re-read** the same book to improve reading fluency, prosody (expression) and comprehension.

When children are working securely in Phase 6 (likely in Year 2), they will move off our matched phonics scheme books and start on a Turquoise banded book. They will stay on a book band set until they are considered a fluent 'free reader'.

KS2

If children are not secure in their phonic knowledge, they will continue to read books which are matched to their secure phonic knowledge.

Following our phonics reading scheme and book banded books, your children will progress onto 'free readers'. This decision is made by the class teacher. Each class has a library which meets the needs of the pupils in that specific class, which children can select a free reader book from.

Changing of Reading Books

Home School Reading books will continue to be changed **weekly**. However, some longer texts (likely in KS2) may only need to be changed by the teacher as required.

Home School Reading Record

Please continue to write in your child's home school reading record when they have read at home.

Love of Reading

We also want children to have a love of reading which is why we have a daily story time in all classes where children can enjoy listening to and sharing a variety of books.

We encourage you to explore and share books with your child at home as much as possible.

Many thanks for your continued support