

Phonics

Year 1

Phonics in Year 1

- Builds upon phonics teaching in EYFS
- Small groups matched to your child's stage of phonics learning
- Greater focus on developing fluency and understanding when reading



Structure of Lessons

Year 1:

- speed sounds (Sets 2 and 3)
- reading book activities (focus sounds, green words, red words, partner reading)
- writing activities (spelling words, proof reading a sentence, hold a sentence)



Structure of Lessons

Year 2:

- Phonics lessons continue for some children
- Language and Literacy lessons



Terminology

- **Fred Talk** – sounding out a word (blending to read words)
- **Fred Fingers** – segmenting a word (spelling)
- **Special Friends** – 2 or 3 letters that make 1 sound (e.g. sh, ay, igh)
- **Fred in your Head** – sounding out in your head, then saying the word
- **Green Words** – words you can sound out
- **Red Words** – common words with irregular spellings (e.g. the, was, said)
- **Alien Words** – nonsense words



Phonics Screening Check

- Children read 40 words in the Summer Term of Year 1
- A combination of real and nonsense words ('alien' words)
- Routine of '*special friends, Fred talk, read the word*' helps children to accurately and confidently read these words

