

Rapid Phonics: Helping Every Child Become a Confident Reader

At our school, we believe every child deserves the tools to succeed in reading. For some children, learning to read can be challenging, and that's where Rapid Phonics comes in. This programme is designed to give extra support to children who find reading difficult, starting from Year 1 and continuing into Key Stage 2 if needed.

What is Rapid Phonics?

Rapid Phonics is a structured, engaging intervention programme that helps children catch up with their phonics knowledge and reading skills. It focuses on the essential building blocks of reading and spelling through short, lively sessions.

- Snappy lesson plans to strengthen phonics, blending, and segmenting skills.
- Ready-made flashcards and resources for interactive learning.
- 100% decodable books and eBooks so children can practise and apply what they've learned.
- Assessment tools to identify gaps and track progress.
- Professional training for staff to ensure the best support for your child.

Why is Rapid Phonics Important?

Phonics is the foundation of reading. If children struggle with phonics, they can fall behind in reading and writing. Rapid Phonics:

- Provides explicit teaching of letter-sound relationships.
- Builds confidence through little-and-often practice.
- Uses multisensory strategies (seeing, hearing, doing) to make learning stick.
- Helps children understand that reading and spelling are connected processes.

Who is it for?

Rapid Phonics is for any child who needs extra help with phonics, starting as soon as difficulties are noticed. It is most often used:

- From Year 1 onwards.
- For older children in Key Stage 2 who need to catch up.

How Does It Work?

Rapid Phonics follows a clear, step-by-step structure:

1. Step 1: Mastering letters and sounds (starting with simple CVC words).
2. Step 2: Learning common letter combinations (digraphs).
3. Step 3: Understanding spelling patterns and choices.

Children also learn how to tackle tricky words that don't follow regular patterns.

Sessions are:

- Fast-paced and fun to keep children engaged.
- Interactive and hands-on.
- Adapted to each child's needs—whether they need a full programme or a short boost.

Our Goal

We want every child to feel confident and successful in reading. Rapid Phonics gives them the tools they need to unlock the world of books and learning.

If you have questions about Rapid Phonics or think your child might benefit, please speak to your child's teacher or our SENCO.

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