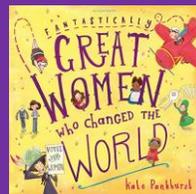
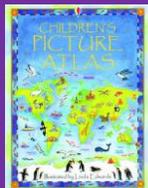
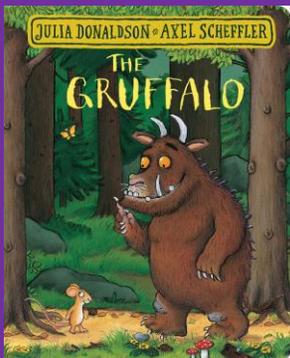
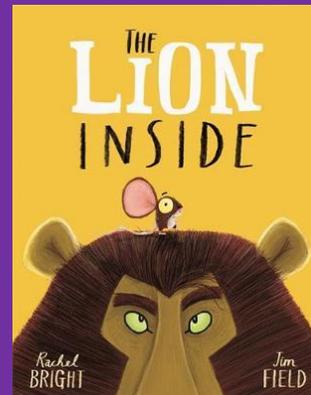
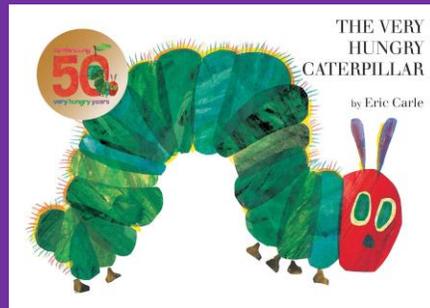
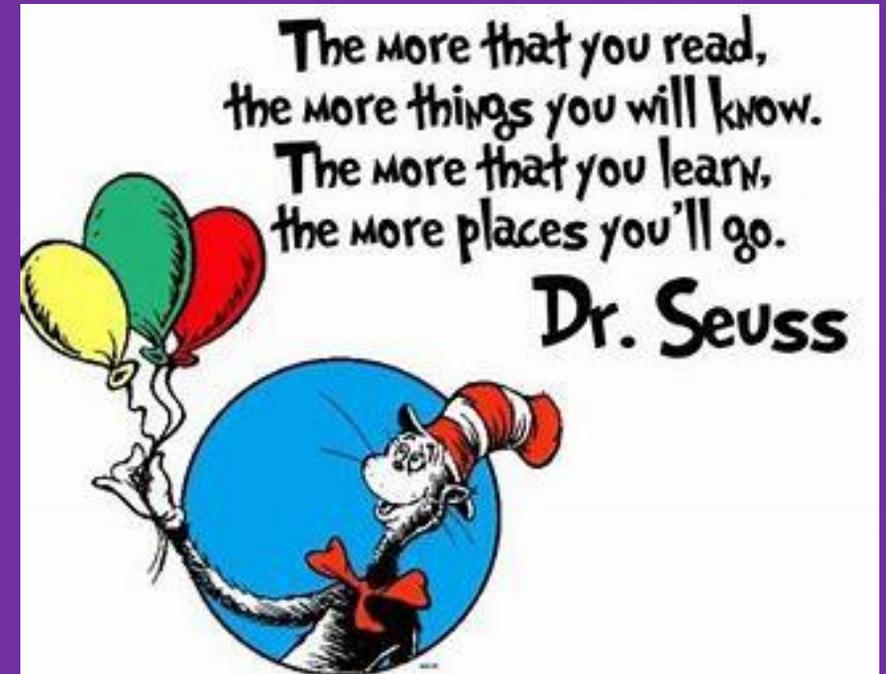
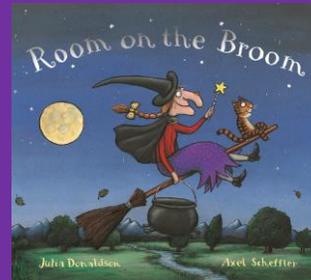
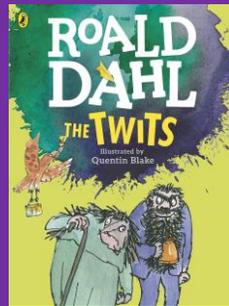
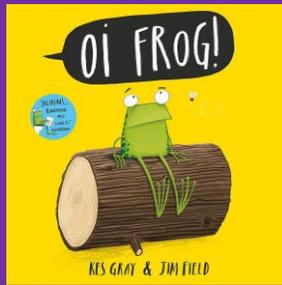
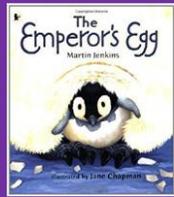
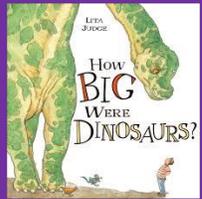


**Letters and sounds information**

# Love of reading

At King's Oak Acorn, we want all of our children to have a love of reading.



# Letters and sounds – our intent

- Our phonics programme is designed to support the teaching and learning of early reading and writing. It seeks to ensure that teachers have the freedom to plan, teach and assess learning creatively whilst following a clear structure that promotes continuity, consistency and clarity for teaching and learning. This will allow all of our children to gain a strong foundation in both reading and writing.
- We aim to have standardised language, vocabulary and resources that will be used throughout the school. This will enable the children to make progress in their phonics learning throughout their education, without having to relearn new techniques when they move to a new group or class.
- Our children will be given opportunities to use and apply their phonics skills in all of their lessons, with all members of staff taking accountability for reading and spelling throughout the curriculum.
- Our phonics programme will help foster a love of reading throughout our school, and it will give all of our children the lifelong skills that they will need to access and enjoy a wide range of literature.

Our phonics programme follows the letters and sounds guidance. We teach the sounds in phases. For each sound we use a visual image, saying and an action, to help our children embed this knowledge into their long term memory.

s	a	t	p	i	n	m	d	g	o	c
s	a	t	p	i	n	m	d	g	o	c
k	ck	e	ur	h	b	f	ff			
k	ck	e	ur	h	b	f	ff			
l	ll	ss								
l	ll	ss								

Phase 2 sounds mat

j	v	w	x	y	z	zz	qu	ch
j	v	w	x	y	z	zz	qu	ch
sh	th	ng	ai	ee	igh	oa	oo	
sh	th	ng	ai	ee	igh	oa	oo	
oo	ar	or	ur	ow	oi	ear	air	
oo	ar	or	ur	ow	oi	ear	air	
ure	er							
ure	er							

Phase 3 sounds mat

ay	ou	ie	ea	oy	ir	ue	aw	wh
ay	ou	ie	ea	oy	ir	ue	aw	wh
ph	ew	oe	au	ey	a-e	e-e	i-e	
ph	ew	oe	au	ey	a-e	e-e	i-e	
o-e	u-e							
o-e	u-e							

Phase 5 sounds mat

# Pure sounds

At King's Oak we focus on saying the pure sound for each letter.

sat

suh a tuh = suhatuh

s a t = sat

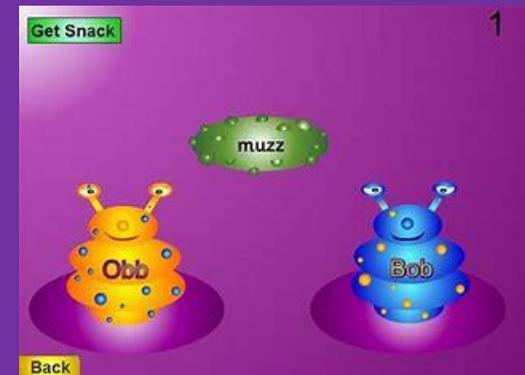
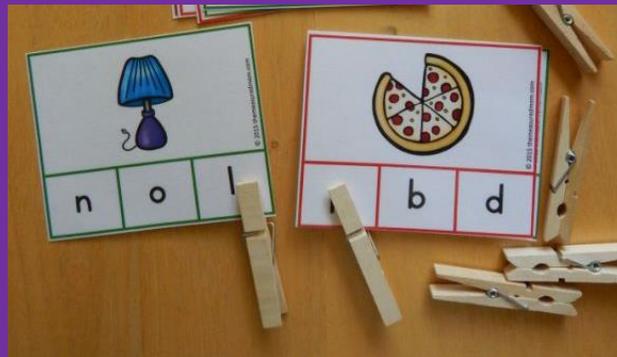
Here is a link to a video which demonstrates some of the pure sounds.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwJx1NSineE>

# Phonics should be fun!!!



At King's Oak Acorn, we believe that phonic sessions should be fun, interactive and memorable. We use a range of resources to help to engage our children during each session.



# Silly word blending

At King's Oak Acorn we look at how we can apply our phonics knowledge when reading unknown words.

We introduce 'alien' words to the children. This gives the children opportunities to explore their decoding skills.



samt

pirnt

opet

natip

# Sneaky words

At King's Oak Acorn, each phase of our phonics teaching focuses on learning different sneaky words. These are the words which do not play by the rules. These words we just need to know by memory.

into go  
no to  
the |

# Reading books

At King's Oak Acorn, we ensure that every child has a book to take home to read. We encourage our children to read at least 4 times every week so that they have opportunities to further embed their phonics skills.



- **Always** talk about the picture
- Discuss the direction of the text – where do we start?
- Encourage your child to sound talk one word at a time and then say the word afterwards. **S-a-m Sam g-o-t got.**
- Praise your child if they already know the word from memory.
- When they have sound talked the sentence – reread the sentence together.
- Ask lots of questions about what you have just read.

# Everyone as a reader...

It is really important for the children to see everyone in their family and house as a reader.



# Words all around us...

When you are out and about, encourage your child to spot sounds and words around us.



# Resources

Here are some websites and ideas that you might be helpful when supporting your child in their phonics learning.

- [www.letters-and-sounds.com](http://www.letters-and-sounds.com)
- [www.phonicsplay.com](http://www.phonicsplay.com)
- [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)
- Cbeebies – Alphablocks
- You tube – Geraldine the giraffe