

The Sounds Write programme is taught across EYFS and KS1.

Children are introduced to related vocabulary including phoneme, grapheme, blend, segment, digraph, trigraph, vowel and consonant.

Children in Nursery have a large emphasis on speaking and listening. Focusing on the skills required to access the Sounds Write programme.

Phonics opportunities are also embedded across continuous provision.

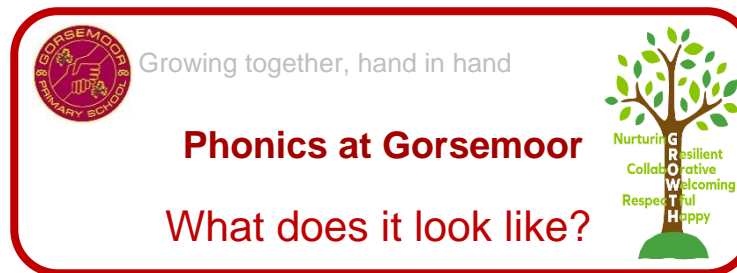
Our Reception children focus on Units 1-11 of the initial code. Exploring 3, 4 and 5 sound words.

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In Year 1 we focus on Units 1-26 of the extended code. We recognise that one sound can be made with a variety of graphemes as well as one grapheme making many sounds and that these sounds can be represented by more than one letter.

Phonics lessons take place every day and last for 30 minutes and are led by Sounds Write trained staff.

Phonics lessons are made up of shorter 'lessons' such as: sound swap, word building, same sound different spelling and sound search.



In Year 2, children focus on becoming fluent readers and further expanding their grapheme- phoneme correspondence. They also become more accurate spellers as they revisit the extended code via units 27- 49 to explore more alternate spellings of the same sound.

Children apply their phonics knowledge through the use of phonetically decodable words, texts and books, both within the classroom and through their home reading book.

Reading for pleasure activities give us further opportunity to practise our phonics skills.

Our parents attend phonics workshops to help them fully support their child's learning at home.

Teachers recognise children's progress within the lesson and identify any children who have not fully understood a particular phoneme. These pupils are identified for additional support.

Children's progress in phonics is tracked each half term. We use this information to identify children who need additional support through targeted intervention.

The skills we learn in our phonics lessons are used in all areas of the curriculum to help us tackle new vocabulary. Our learning and application of new sounds always continues outside of the main phonics lesson.