

## Useful Websites

↓ [PhonicsPlay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Username—irchester

Password—nn297az

Lots of good games to develop all areas of phonics.

<http://www.satspapers.org.uk/Page.aspx?TId=21>

Assess to past phonic test that can be used as practise to help the children to spot sounds within nonsense words and then blend them to make a word.

If you need any ideas or help, please see your child's class teacher.

## Phonic sounds

The phonic test includes the following diagraphs (two letters that make one sound) and trigraphs (three letters that make one sound) By using these sounds you can make up alien words for your child to be phonic detectives and find the sounds in order to read the word.

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E e	ee ea see sea	e_e these	Y sunny					
I i	igh light	i_e like	y ie try tie					
O o	oa boat	o_e bone	oe ow toe show					
U u		u_e tune	ew ue screw blue					
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## What is phonics?

# Phonics

Phonics is a way of teaching children to read and spell and they are taught how to:

- □ recognise the sounds that each individual letter makes;
- □ identify the sounds that different combinations of letters make - such as 'sh' or 'oo'; and
- □ blend these sounds together from left to right to make a word.

Children can then use this knowledge to 'decode' new words that they hear or see. This is the first important step in learning to read and spell.



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## What is the phonic screening check?

The phonics screening check is a quick and easy check of your child's phonics knowledge.

Your child will be asked to read 40 words aloud and it will consist of real words and nonsense, or alien words.

Nonsense words are included because words such as 'vap' or 'jound' are new to all children.

 ect	 shog
 jat	 stip
 yod	 bulm
 keb	 quock
 toin	 voisk

Children cannot read the non-words by using their memory or vocabulary and they have to use their decoding skills.

## How can I help my child?

Phonics is taught daily in school and the children are given different strategies and skills to tackle decoding unknown words. As with everything, the more children practise the more confident they will become at applying their skills.



With the

words, we encourage the children to look for the sounds hidden within the word and get them to add sound buttons to help.