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the bonds of family, faith and friendship.

Folksworth C of E (VC) Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

At Folksworth Primary School, we teach early reading and phonics following strategies in the Read, Write Inc scheme. These sessions are delivered daily in groups organised according to phonic ability.

Early Reading and Phonics Workshop

We are holding an **Early Reading and Phonics Workshop** for parents on **Wednesday 23rd September at 2pm** where you can find out more about the development of early reading, our Read, Write Inc scheme and how you can support your child at home. This will be held **virtually through Teams**.

If you would like to attend the Early Reading Workshop, please e-mail or phone the school office and an invitation will be sent to your e-mail address for you to join us.

Read, Write Inc sessions

Read Write Inc phonics sessions will begin from Monday 14th September. This week, we are assessing the children and placing them in the most appropriate group for their level of development. From next week, they will be bringing home their RWInc reading books to share at home. It is important that the children practice their book more than once to gain in fluency, understanding of the story and confidence.

Sound Books

As the children in EYFS will be starting from the beginning of the scheme, they will be bringing home a sound book to practice each sound as it is introduced. As we introduce more sounds to the children please go through these daily with them to develop recognition. Please make sure you are encouraging children to pronounce sounds correctly. The 'pure sounds' video is a particularly useful clip which supports parents in pronouncing sounds correctly when supporting at home and can be found on our school website.

Further Information

Our website holds resources which also support early reading skills and have been placed under the curriculum tab which leads to reading and phonics.

Reading Books

Alongside your child's home Read, Write, Inc book, which are specifically designed to develop phonics, we will also be sending home a story book for enjoyment. These may be stories that you read to your child and discuss to support understanding and vocabulary development. Books will usually be changed on a Tuesday and a Friday. Your child will have their home learning journal with them where a record of any reading can be written in.

Accelerated Reader

When children have completed the RWInc scheme, they will move on to Accelerated Reader where they will complete a Star Reading assessment which will put them on to the appropriate level for their reading age. They will then select their reading books from the library. Instead of phonics sessions they will participate in a guided reading session held at the same time.

If you have any questions about early reading please do contact your child's class teacher in the first instance or email me nsawyer@folksworth.cambs.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Nikki Sawyer
Deputy Headteacher