

How do the children first learn sounds?

In their daily phonics lesson, the children will...

- Learn how the sound feels when they say it
- Learn what it sounds like in a word
- Learn what it looks like with the help of a picture and on its own
- Learn how to write it in the air and in their book
- Learn how to put that letter into a word- this is called 'Fred Talk'
- Learn how to spell a word containing the new sound, only using sounds they know
- Spell a simple word using magnetic letters
- Spell using their Fred Fingers for writing words



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sad	dad
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sat	mat
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Read Write Inc.
Phonics

How to say the sounds



The children learn 'pure sounds'- so m, not 'muh', d, not 'duh'

This video will show you how to pronounce the sounds using pure sounds

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yIn6PpV1G1I&t=30s>

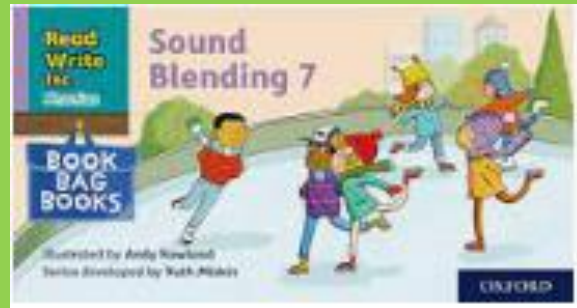
What does Read, Write Inc look like at Waterville?

- How do the groups work? The children are assessed every half term and work in small groups with other children who are at the same level. When they are ready to, they will progress onto another group.
- Who teaches them? Teachers and teaching assistants are all trained to deliver the Read, Write Inc program. Lots of staff will teach it so that the groups can be as small as possible.
- Do children stay in the same group? The children will stay in the group until they are ready to move on to the next group.
- How long will they spend in a colour group? It could be as little as 6 weeks but could be longer, depending on their progress.
- What if there are sounds the children have not remembered? If our assessments show there are sounds the children have not remembered, we will re-teach those sounds until they are confident to move on. Regular practise at home will help the children learn the sounds quicker and feel more confident.

Your child will be bringing home

A Book Bag Book when they are able to read words containing Set 1 sounds and have read the Sound Blending Books 1-20.

One of the Sound Blending books when they have learnt some of the Set 1 sounds



What can I do to help my child?

- Most important- Read with your child regularly at home
- Encourage children to use pure sounds show your child how to say the letter sound using pure sounds- s, not suh!
- Please do ask any staff if there is anything you are unsure of.