

Reception Home reading

There are two types of reading book that children in Reception take home with them:

A reading practice book:

This is levelled at the correct phonic stage for your child e.g. Phase 2 set 1. Your child should be able to read this fluently and independently/with minimal help. If your child cannot read a word, we advise parents to simply read it to them. We also ask parents to talk together about the book/story and to revisit the book 2-3 times to support with fluency and understanding.

You can find out more information about phonics/reading and how to support your child with reading at home on the Little Wandle parent page. There are helpful videos to watch as well:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

A sharing book (Book swap):

This book is for parents and children to read and enjoy together. The sharing book is chosen by parent and child using the class book swap, kept in the Reception outside area at drop off and pick up. Children are not expected to read it themselves. Please read the book to or with your child, discuss the pictures, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters etc.

Books are sent home using the following system:

Book Type	Key information	Frequency/days
Reading Practice Books (Phonics books)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading practice books are changed x2 a week on a Monday and a Thursday. Book boxes are left outside the classroom on these days so that parents can swap the book with their child. Please only take x1 book at a time.• Parent/carer to write name of the book in reading record and date.• Parent to write a positive comment in their child's reading record about their reading/their enjoyment of the book.	Monday Thursday
Sharing books	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Book swap box in Reception outside area at morning drop off for parents/carers to select from with their child. Available daily.• Parents asked to take one book at a time.	Daily

