



## English - Reading and Writing

At Pearl Hyde Primary School the children learn to read and write using the Read Write Inc programme. This is a synthetic phonics scheme that teaches the children to read and write the sounds of the English language systematically. They learn to blend the sounds to read (decode) words and segment sounds when spelling. The books they read contain the sounds they have learnt and the children experience success when reading. They also undertake a range of structured reading and writing activities to develop key skills.

Please use the website below to find out further information about the Read Write Inc programme. There are tutorial videos for parents, to help you understand more about the programme and how you can help at home.

<http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/>

The children are involved in a range of reading experiences every day in school. They may read a shared text using a big book with the class or read in a guided group with the teacher. This is usually at a level just above the level at which they are reading independently and key skills are taught. They undertake independent activities to practise a variety of reading skills and read a range of books independently.

Our main scheme is the Oxford Reading Tree but children are also encouraged to read other books, broadening out at each level so that they experience different vocabulary, characters, settings and story events. Once the children are reading fluently and confidently, they are encouraged to read a wide variety of books by different authors.

The oxford owl website allows you free access to 250 ebooks and has book suggestions and recommendations for children of different ages.

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-owl/reading>

