



## Learn Enjoy Achieve Respect Nurture Engage & Resilience

Dear parents and carers,

At Three Bridges Primary School, we use the Read Write Inc phonics programme to teach children to read from Reception to Year 2. Below you will find information about phonics, how children are assessed, and what is expected by the end of each year. On the phonics page of our school website, you can also find details about the Read Write Inc phonics groups and ways you can support your child at home.

The information explains:

- What your child will be learning in their group
- What they need to know before moving to the next group
- How you can help your child at home

The phonics groups, in order, are:

Group A
Group B
Group C
Ditty
Red Ditty
Green
Purple
Pink
Orange
Yellow
Blue
Grey
Guided Reading

Every child learns at their own pace. Please do not worry if your child does not move to the next group straight away. This means they need more time to practise and feel confident in their current group. For example, many children stay in the Yellow group for a while to build reading speed and confidence.

The Phonics Lead, Miss Harman, checks children's progress every 6 weeks. Children are then placed in a group that is *just right* for them – not too easy and not too hard.

Phonics lessons sometimes take place in classrooms above or below your child's year group. This does not mean your child has moved backwards or forwards. It simply means their phonics group is taught in that room. Children are grouped by reading level so they can make the best progress. Reception children do not mix with other year groups in the autumn term.

Sometimes groups are combined because of space in school. Combined groups may look like this:

Group A	
Group B	
Group C	
Ditty	Red Ditty
Green	Purple
Pink	Orange
Yellow	
Blue	Grey

End-of-year expectations

By the end of the year, children who are “on track” are usually in these groups:

- Reception: Green group
- Year 1: Blue group
- Year 2: Guided Reading (no longer in RWI phonics)\*

\* Most Year 2 children finish RWI phonics by the end of the spring term. Phonics will continue to be taught in Year 3 if required.

Our aim is for children to keep up, not catch up. If a child stays in a group for longer, they may receive extra support, such as short daily tutoring or help in class.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child’s class teacher or Miss Harman (RWI Phonics Lead).

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Harman  
Phonics Lead



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