

Rimrose Hope CE Primary
Reception Home Reading
Autumn Term



At Rimrose Hope reading, writing and oracy underpins underpin all of the key aspects of our curriculum offer and it is essential therefore that all children can read and write skilfully as early as possible. Language provides our children with the tools for thinking and reasoning and enables them, over time, to become critical thinkers who can view all aspects of the curriculum in a relative, analytical and evaluative way. Our Early Years curriculum has been strategically planned to follow the Early Years Foundation Stage of learning which include the four guiding principles that shape our practice which includes: A Unique Child, Positive Relationships, Enabling Environments and Learning and Development.

Throughout EYFS and Rimrose, our curriculum is driven by 'Key Texts' and we strive to instil a love of reading for all. Throughout our setting, the children are able to access a range of high quality texts in through direct teaching, continuous provision and through curriculum enhancements. Over the coming weeks your child will begin their phonics journey with us, your child will be taught letter sounds, blending and segmenting following the Read Write Inc scheme which is a multi sensory approach to teaching phonics. During this period, your child will be given a book to share with you over the course of a week. We do not expect the children to be able to read the book we are sending home. The book is to share at a time of day which suits where you are able to sit and read to your child and spend time talking about the book.

Below are some tips from the Book Trust on how to encourage and engage your child in literature:



Sharing a book with a child is fun! It's a time for closeness, laughing and talking together - and it can also give children a flying start in life and help them become lifelong readers.

It's never too early to start sharing books with them - they might not understand the words, but they will love cuddling up, hearing your voice, and looking at the pictures.

Sharing picture books can be a lot of fun - but don't worry if your child gets distracted, that's perfectly normal! Don't worry if you don't have a lot of time in your busy day, either - just a few minutes can make a huge difference.



Top Tips for reading with your child:

- Find a time of the day when you can sit and share a book with your child without lots of distractions. Sitting and sharing a book for a few minutes each day builds a close, trusting relationship with your child.
- Turn the TV off and find a quiet space to share a book.
- Sharing a book for five minutes each day with your child can make a huge difference.
- You don't have to read the whole text, read part or practice turning the pages with your child, talk about the pictures, the characters, ask questions such as 'what do you think will happen?'
- Revisit the book, can your child remember parts of the story? Can they retell the story?
- Can your child say what they liked/disliked about the story.

Benefits of reading with your child:

- Supported cognitive development
- Improved language skills
- Preparation for academic success
- Developing a special bond with your child
- Increased concentration and discipline
- Improved imagination and creativity
- Cultivating. lifelong love of reading

Autumn Term Reading Expectations at Rimrose Hope:

- Your child will be given a story book on a Friday of each week which is to be kept at home and shared throughout the week.
- Your child will share the book with an adult each day and spend time talking about the story.
- Your child is to return their book to school on the following Thursday, ready for their new book on the Friday

