



Phase and stage document

Reading Books 2022-23



From F2, children begin Reading Practise Groups (RPGs). They are grouped according to reading ability and use the Big Cat Collins phase books (Phase 2-5). For most children, this will be appropriate throughout F2, Year 1 and Autumn Term of Year 2.



Children are assessed when they come to the end of Phase 5 in RPGs. For most children, this will be at the end of Autumn Term Year 2. Children then move onto the Oxford Reading Tree stage books at an appropriate level and work through these. This allows children to continue to develop their decoding ability whilst shifting the focus onto comprehension. Most children will start on Stage 7 books but may move through the stages quickly.

COMMUNICATION: This system should be clearly shared with grown ups at home (see leaflet) when a children transitions between Phase and Stage books.



When children reach the end of Stage 12 and are confident, independent readers (most children will reach this stage in Year 3), children will access the KS2 library books. Please discuss with children the sticker system and 'book banding' colours as well as the KS2 library programme (Junior Librarian).

Once children reach Year 3, if they are working through stage books, they should also have an appropriate 'reading for pleasure' book too.

PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT USE THE PHRASE FREE READER. ALL CHILDREN HAVE GUIDANCE ON BOOK CHOICES AND SO ARE NOT FREE TO CHOOSE ANY TEXT.

Children to borrow a 'reading for pleasure' book alongside these books from the KS1 library area. Children should have the opportunity to change this weekly.