How do we teach phonics from the start?

Phonics teaching begins with our youngest pupils from the time they join us in EYFS, following the Read Write Inc scheme. Our nursery children work on Phase 1 skills which are promoted and embedded within the curriculum, exposing pupils to sound rich activities, which provide the foundations for reading and writing. Once ready, in the Summer Term, nursery children are introduced to some aspects of the Read Write Inc scheme. We complete baseline assessments in communication, language and literacy to support and identify speech, language and communication needs.

Pupils begin learning letter sounds on entry to their reception year. Following the Read Write Inc system, pupils are immersed in a directed teaching approach, which embeds systematic phonic skills, as the core skills for reading. Sounds are taught in a specific order, and regular assessment informs future planning and interventions.

For more information about the Read Write Inc scheme and how we teach phonics from the start please go to our phonics page found <u>here</u>.