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Additional books online

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are probably aware, we have moved to Essential Letters and Sounds (ELS) phonics scheme. All children who are turquoise book band or below will be accessing books which are closely aligned to ELS. Oxford University Press (OUP) - who are the book publishing company behind ELS- have produced an eBook library. It contains over 120 books matched to the ELS phonics programme. It is important that your child reads books they can phonetically decode. So, for example, if your child has learnt s, a,t,p only then they should not be on a book where they also have to read i,n,d,m. Therefore, please do not rush ahead with these books. Instead, you may wish to consolidate your child's learning by looking at some of these books together. Along with this letter, is a leaflet provided by OUP to explain how to log into their website in order to access the eBooks. Your child's log in details will be provided to your child to bring home with them.

When you log into the website, you will be able to access other schemes. The homework section and the ELS eBook library are where you can access the correct books for the ELS scheme. Oxford Owl, Read Write Inc. and Word Sparks sections of the site provide a range of other books you are able to access; however, please be aware that they are not linked to ELS and so your child may not be able to read these. Please do not use these sections to access reading books for your child to read. Instead, you could use these as sharing books which you can read together. While the books appear in the homework section, you can also access them under 'Essential Letters and Sounds eBook library'. These books are to read in addition to the reading book that your child brings home weekly. We will not be checking to see which children have read the books online.

To decide which books to read from ELS, please look at the document on the website and available with this letter. As an example, if your child is a Red 4, then they can read all the books up to and including Red 4; however, they cannot read Yellow 1 and above as they will not have been taught all of the grapheme phoneme correspondences required to read the book with fluency.

We hope that you are able to access the books should you wish to do so.

Yours sincerely,

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Assistant Headteacher

