



Eastfield Primary Academy

Phonics Scheme

At Eastfield Phonics is taught through the Letters and Sounds Synthetic Phonics system. Across EYFS and KS1, children are grouped into Phase appropriate groups to ensure targeted teaching and learning that maximizes learning and progress.

Phonics is assessed and monitored regularly to enable progression through Phases 1- 6. In Nursery, children access phase 1 and some of Phase 2. In Reception, children will learn Phases 2, 3 and 4 so that they are Year 1 ready.

In Year 1 the majority of children will be ready to start Phase 5 although lower Phases are taught to the children who need it. Also in Year 1, all pupils are tested through the Phonics Screening Test in June. Results are recorded and used for assessment purposes. Any Year One pupils who do not meet the required pass mark for the test re-take the test when they are in Year Two.

In Year Two the majority of children are taught the final Phase which is Phase 6. Again children who are

not ready for this will access lower Phases. Alongside this in Year 2 children are taught from the New National Curriculum documents (September 2014) for Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation. These are also followed within Phonics sessions. Although the vast majority of children will leave Key Stage 1 having progressed up to phase 6, children in Key Stage 2 who have gaps in their Phonic knowledge are supported by a Phonics intervention group until their understanding is secure.

If you have any questions about how your child is taught phonics or if you want to know how you can support your child with their learning, please feel free to talk to a member of staff.