

A Guide to Using Bug Club at Home

Please use the guidance below to access Bug Club, a valuable home reading resource. Pupils at Hodge Hill are expected to use Bug Club to read home-reading texts that have been chosen by their class teacher (in addition to any home reading books they are given to take home). When pupils read texts using Bug Club, they should record this in their home reading record. *If you do not have access to the internet, please let your child's class teacher know so that your child can always take a physical book home with them*.

Pupils are expected to read for **ten minutes each evening** and their reading record **must be signed by an adult**, even if your child is reading independently.

To help your child to understand what they have read, please ask your child questions about the text they have read, especially if they read independently. Questions might include:

- Can you summarise the story? What happened on this page/in this paragraph?
- How does the character feel here? How do you know?
- What might happen next? Tell me why you think this.
- Are there any words that you do not understand? Is there anything you can do to try and work out the meaning of this word?

Your class teacher will be able to help you if you need any guidance on the type of questions to ask. There are also parent workshops that you are encouraged to attend – dates will be shared with you soon.

We hope that you find this guide useful. If you are unable to log on to Bug Club after using this guide, please see your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.

Thank you for your ongoing support with nurturing your child's love of reading and helping them to make progress.

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Using a device connected to the internet search for 'Bug Club'.



Click on the ActiveLearn: Login option that should appear at the top of the search results.

Please make sure that you have reached the site ending in 'co.uk' and not 'au' as you need to be on the British version of the site for your login details to work.

Now enter the username and password your child has been given to login to the website. Passwords and usernames will be case sensitive. If your child is struggling, please help them or log on to the site for them if they need you to do this.

The school code is: 7p3l

They will then see their home page. To see the books they have been given click on "My Stuff" at the top.

When they enter "My Stuff" it then shows the books they have not read as green and the books they have opened as orange. (*This does not mean it has been read!*)

The Bug Club and Spelling Grammar icons tell you how many activities your child has been set by the class teacher.

Your child can earn the gold coins under the book when they read or listen to the book and answer the questions about the book.

To read the book click on it and the digital book will open.

Simply click on the arrows to turn the page.

If the book does not open, you may need to enable pop-ups. Go to the address bar (*where the www. address can be seen*) and right click on the little red 'no entry' sign on the right. You'll see a menu pop up. You will need to click 'enable pop ups from this site'.

As the children read the book whenever they see the Bug Club Bug there is a question to be answered.

Click on the Bug to answer the question.

Please let the children answer this on their own before you give them support.

When an answer is selected it does not tell the children if they are correct until the end of the book.

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When they answer the question they click "Done" and it will tell them is they have answered correctly.

If they get an answer wrong it will let them try again and if they don't know the answer encourage them to go back to the text to look for the answer.

When your child has finished reading and clicks on the red cross it will let them if they have answered all of the questions. If the bug is still yellow they have missed one and should go back to complete the question!

When they get all of the answers correct they gain the gold coins for reading that book and the book is removed from the "My Stuff" section.

When your child has gained gold coins they can be spent in the "My Rewards" section where they can exchange their coins for uses of the games.

Please encourage your child to ask their teacher for more books if they run out of things in "My Stuff".

If you have any difficulty at home or need any help at all please ask a member of staff.

Happy Reading!