



Essential Letters and Sounds

Overview Phases 1 – 5



<u>Phase 1</u>	<u>Phase 2</u>	<u>Phase 3</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Nursery</u></p> <p>Seven aspects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental sounds • Instrumental sounds • Body percussion • Rhythm and rhyme • Alliteration • Voice sounds • Oral blending 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Reception Autumn 1</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral blending • Sounding out and blending with 23 new grapheme-phoneme correspondences (GPCs) • 12 new harder to read and spell (HRS) words 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Reception Autumn 2, Spring 1 and Spring 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral blending • Sounding out and blending with 29 new GPCs • 32 new HRS words • Revision of Phase 2
<u>Phase 4</u>	<u>Phase 5</u>	<u>Beyond Phase 5</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Reception Summer 1</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral blending • No new GPCs • No new HRS words • Word structures – cvcc, ccvc, ccvcc, cccvc, cccvcc • Suffixes • Revision of Phase 2 and Phase 3 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Reception Summer 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Phase 5 for reading • 20 new GPCs • 16 new HRS words <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Year 1 Autumn 1 and Autumn 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of previously taught Phase 5 GPCs • 2 new GPCs • 9 new HRS words <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Year 1 Spring 1 and Spring 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative spellings for previously taught sounds • 49 new GPCs • 4 new HRS words • Oral blending • Revision of Phase 2, Phase 3 and Phase 4 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Year 1 Summer 2 and beyond</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With ELS, phonics teaching does not stop at the end of Year 1, but continues as children move through the school, with links being made between their GPC knowledge and spelling • Revision of all previously taught GPCs for reading and spelling • Wider reading, spelling and writing curriculum