



### Phonics Intent

“Teach a child to read and keep that child reading and we will change everything. And I mean everything.”  
Jean Winterson. This quote epitomises the intent of the Read Write Inc. programme, which we use to teach phonics at Abingdon.

The Read, Write Inc. programme is a systematic, synthetic phonics programme that explicitly teaches children to read fluently and accurately. **All** of the staff at Abingdon have been trained to deliver the Read, Write Inc phonics programme regardless of Key Stage or role in school.

At Abingdon Primary School, we value reading as a key life skill and one that lays the foundations for lifelong learning. We want **every child** to learn to decode quickly and accurately so that reading becomes effortless. This enables children to develop their comprehension so that they can then begin to read for pleasure.

We assess our children every half term to identify their “Goldilocks spot” (not too easy, not too hard) and place them into appropriate phonics groups with other children at a similar challenge level.

Our school is committed to ensuring **every** pupil will learn to read, regardless of their background, needs or abilities. The lowest 20% of children are identified from our rigorous assessments and targeted for daily one-to-one tuition to help them “keep up, not catch up”.

The Read, Write Inc reading books that the children access in guided reading at school and those that they take home are matched to the children’s phonic knowledge and so are fully decodable.

At Abingdon, we have clear expectations of pupils’ phonics progress which is outlined in the following table.

	End of Autumn 2	End Of Spring 2	End of Summer 2
Reception	Ditty PCM	Ditty Red	Green/Purple
Year 1	Pink/Orange	Yellow	Blue/Grey
Year 2	<i>Off RWI phonics programme</i>		

Through our phonics programme, we believe we can teach every child to read and keep them reading for life.