



Great Gaddesden School Curriculum Statement: 2020-2021

Subject: Phonics

Phonics is an integral part of our daily teaching in Early Years and Key Stage One. At Great Gaddesden School, we teach systematic, synthetic phonics throughout EYFS and Key Stage One.

We use the Letters and Sounds document to inform our phonics teaching and support children in progressing through the phonetic stages from Nursery to Year 2. Children in EYFS and Key Stage One receive daily phonics sessions in which they have opportunities to segment, blend, read and write.

We have a wide range of reading books that are referenced to book bands which support children to make progress at an appropriate pace. We also have an increasing range of early reading books linked to phonics phases to ensure children are reading books that support the practice of phonic skills alongside reading for meaning

Children in Nursery have daily songs and rhyme sessions before beginning to learn their Phase 2 sounds towards the end of their academic year. Where needed, intervention is provided for those children that are still learning / consolidating the phonetic code.