

What is the purpose of this workshop?

- Develop an understanding of what reading looks like for your child
- Understand the importance of reading for children
- Explore different methods for reading at home
- Learn the difference between reading skill and reading for pleasure
- Ask questions about reading for your child

Activity

What have you read so far today?

- Write down on post-it notes everything you have read so far this morning.
- Think about all the different forms of media that we may have encountered, from waking up this morning to arriving at Fairfields today.

social media posts

Sign-in screen in the office

Body language/ emotions

Newspaper story

Weather report

Traffic light

Alarm clock

Use-by date on the milk bottle

This power-point

Magazine

Shopping list

Why is reading important for children?

- Reading sparks the imagination, allowing children to enter a world they haven't experienced before
- Reading helps promote wellbeing and health, builds social connections and strengthens relationships
- Reading may lead to role play, which in turns helps with problem solving, empathy and morality skills

Why is reading important for children?

- Reading develops skills for literacy learning, such as self-awareness, rhyme, rhythm, pattern, auditory perception skills, and working memory
- Reading helps develop communication skills; listening, understanding, and then onto writing
- Books introduce colours, shapes and patterns, letters and numbers
- Reading can help teach emotion through facial expressions, tone of voice and body language

Immersing myself in a story is the most enjoyable, wonderful escapism; books have nourished my mind and prevented mental decay during my years of silence. Trapped in cerebral palsy I run within the pages; skipping, laughing, exploring. Submerging myself into the adventure of new tales, I have inhabited the scenes of authors' pictures and woven them with my imagination. Words have been my portal into another world.



What does reading look like for our children?

Recognising images/logos

Phonics

Reading facial expression and body language

Reading phonics books

Joining in with songs and actions

Familiar words and phrases

Reading story books

Role play

Navigating technology

What does reading look like for our children?

- Research shows children can experience and enjoy language they might not directly understand.
- Interactive story telling is more than just reading, it is the 'music of words' and can be felt.
- Emotion can be felt by a child, through voice, presence and engagement

How can I make reading more fun at home?

- Share stories together using picture books and other children's books like
 Roald Dahl.
- Include reading together as part of your child's routine.
- Read aloud regularly whatever you or your child are reading.
- Encourage choices with reading try different genres and include nonfiction texts too.
- Make it a game, include fun activities that involve making connections between pictures, objects and words.
- Bring reading to life act it out, include sensory activities, go on a word hunt!
- Visit your local library and explore the books that are available there.



B. J. Novak reads from The Book With No Pictures - YouTube

This is a book with no pictures.



What did you notice about the story and the way it was told?

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Text
formatting

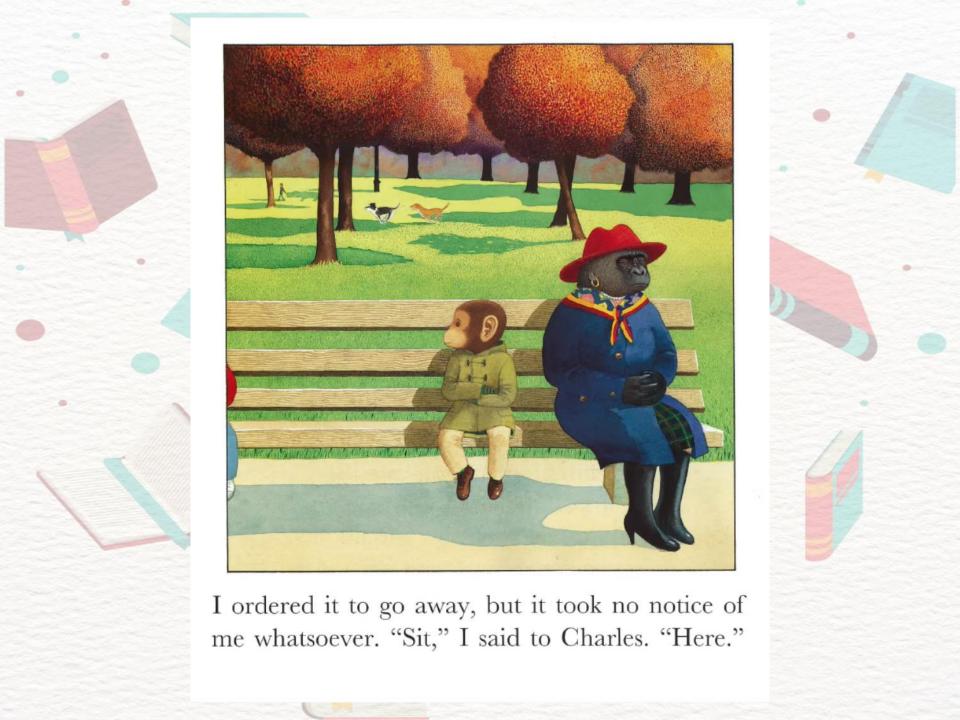
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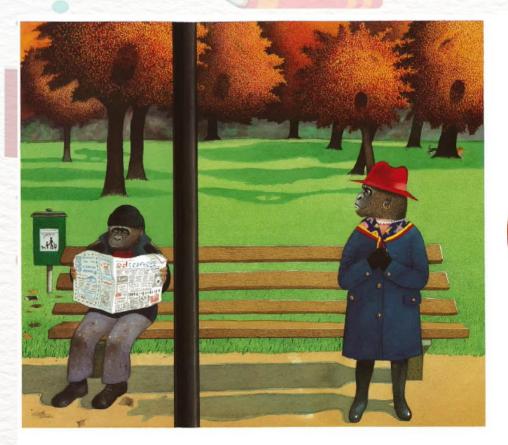
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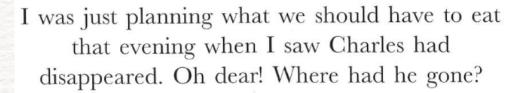
Child-led

No overcrowding of text

Voices in the Park

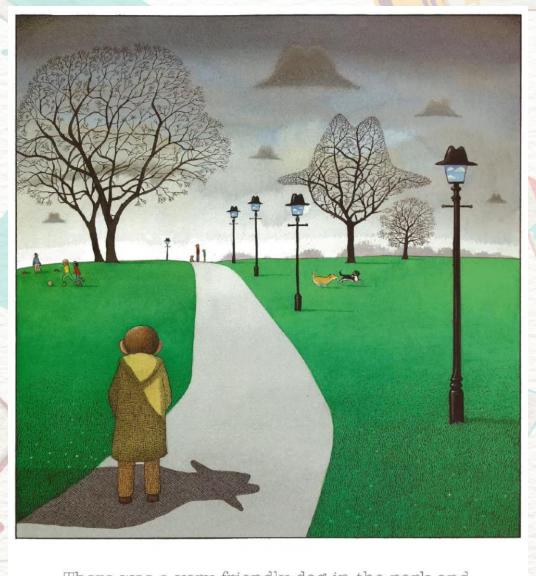








You get some frightful types in the park these days! I called his name for what seemed like an age.

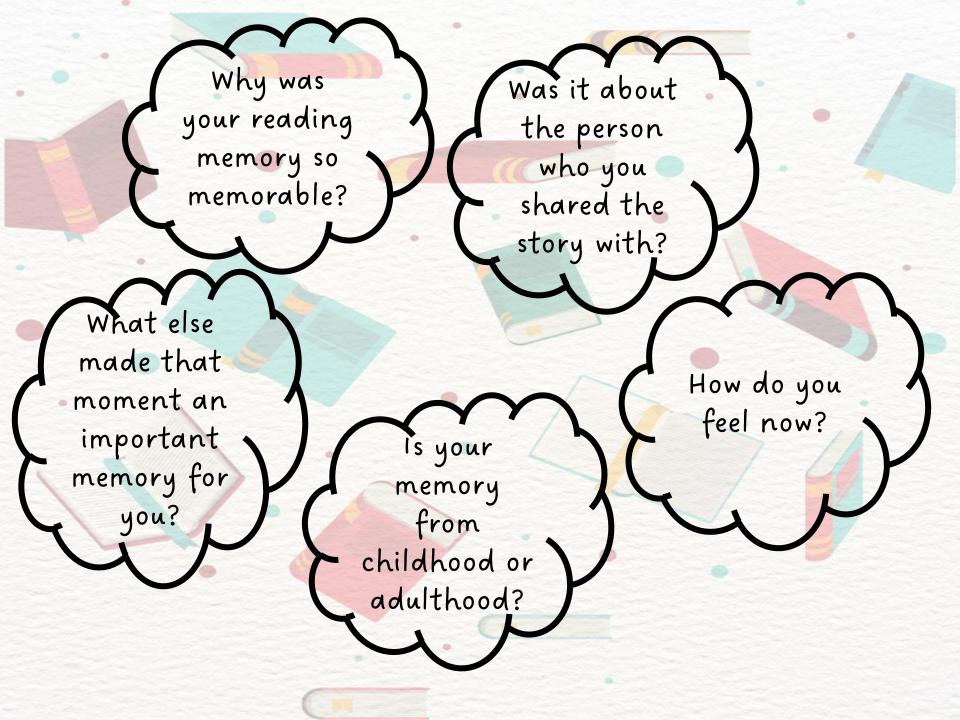


There was a very friendly dog in the park and Victoria was having a great time. I wished I was.

Reading memories

Close your eyes
and think back
to a reading
memory





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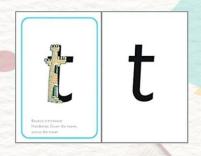
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Phonics vs Reading for Pleasure



Phonics is a method for teaching people how to read and write an alphabetic language. It is done by demonstrating the relationship between the sounds of the spoken language (phonemes), and the letters or groups of letters (graphemes) or syllables of the written language.



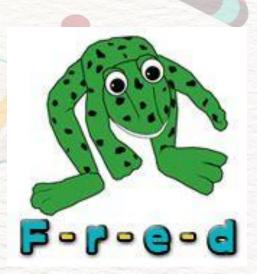
Reading for pleasure has been defined by the National Literacy Trust as "reading that we do of our own free will, anticipating the satisfaction that we will get from the act of reading. It also refers to reading that having begun at someone else's request we continue because we are interested in it" (Clark and Rumbold, National Literacy Trust, 2006).

The school currently use Read Write Inc to teach Phonics. The children will be exposed to 44 sounds and the corresponding letters/letter groups using simple picture prompts. However, this done slowly and at the correct pace for the child.

Blending is the process of saying the individual sounds in a word and then running them together to read a word. E.g d-o-g makes dog. We use Fred Talk as a method to facilitate this.

Therefore, you might hear children refer to this language at home as it is used on a daily basis in their phonics lessons.





The school currently has two sets of phonics reading books. These are from Oxford Reading Tree and Project X

Reading phonics books teach children phonetic sounds in English, the letters that represent them. They are used as method for breaking down words in to the individual sounds that construct them.

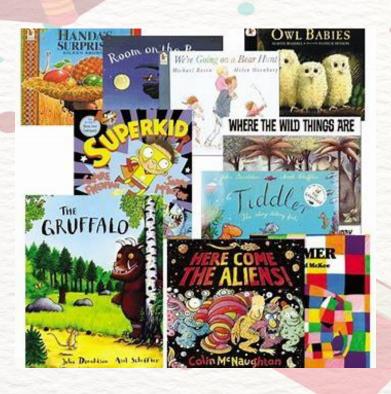
An example would be cat which has three distinct phonetic sounds. C-a-t.

It is important for children to understand the breakdown of words before they can begin to read/write them. Therefore, phonics books are sent home to enable children to continue to work upon sounds that they have been exposed to in their phonics lessons. It is important that we facilitate the important of breaking down words so that children continue to develop their understanding of the phonetic sounds that make up words.





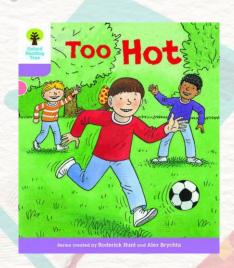
Reading for pleasure is about encouraging the love and enjoyment of reading. It is also about develop children's value of books and what they can provide them.



- •Set aside a special time just a few minutes a day is enough to create a reading habit.
- Get caught reading yourself show that reading for pleasure is not just for children.
- Read to each other if your child really doesn't want to read on their own, then read together. You read a page, then they read a page. Or one of you could read any dialogue. Be brave and put on different voices.
- Value the books they choose to read all reading is valuable for a child's development. Some of us prefer non-fiction; some of us prefer comics. One child might like superhero books; another might a book of football statistics.

Phonics vs Reading for Pleasure

In the future, your child might come home with different types of books.



These books are for your child to read themselves, learning the skill of reading using their phonic knowledge.



These books are for you to share with your child, and develop a love of reading, taking turns, looking at the pictures and listening to.

We are not capable of learning So do not tell me There's something going on behind the disability. Treated as useless handicaps Minds with nothing in there, tragically Stuck in a wheelchair, Disabilities visibly crippling -Just incontinent and dribbling, We are not Academically able. You should make our minds Stagnate in special education! We cannot Learn to read, Learn to spell, Learn to write, Instead let us Be constrained by a sensory curriculum. It is not acceptable to say We have the capacity to learn. School should occupy us, entertain us; but never teach us You are deluded to believe that Our education can be looked at another way!

Now read it again, backwards.

Sharing a book is a bridge between two people who have a shared interest and interaction.