

Reading schemes

Phonics

At Hilldene Primary School we use 'Letters and Sounds' to deliver high quality teaching of synthetic phonics. Each letter sound is introduced using *Jolly Phonics* actions and songs.

To ensure success in phonics we provide:

- High quality phonics teaching during daily sessions
- A range of speaking and listening activities
- A systematic approach throughout the EYFS and KS1
- Effective assessment and grouping based on the needs of each child
- Intervention groups in KS2 where need is identified

Reading Schemes

The Oxford Reading Tree is our preferred reading scheme. The series contains decodable books matched to Letters and Sounds, over 280 Biff, Chip and Kipper adventures, traditional tales from all over the world and a large selection of fiction, non-fiction and poetry books.

The Oxford Reading Tree scheme combines a number of factors to ensure real success in reading:

- It uses systematic phonics resources that really work
- It provides more decodable readers than any other reading programme
- It offers richer reading experiences through a huge selection of stories with children's best-loved characters
- It supports the transition from phonics into richer reading
- Books are levelled carefully
- There are detailed cover notes inside every title to support parents

We also have a large selection of books from Rigby and Ginn to compliment the Oxford Reading Tree selection of stories.

Guided Reading

We offer the children a large selection of stories from Rigby Star and from the Project X series published by the Oxford Reading Tree as well as favourite stories in the higher reading levels.

More information about Jolly Phonics and the Oxford Reading Tree scheme is available below:

[Jolly Phonics - information for parents](#)

[Oxford Owl – reading advice for parents](#)

[Information about the Oxford Reading Tree](#)