



KEEP YOUR CHILD'S PHONICS LEARNING  
ON TRACK WITH OUR DAILY LESSONS,  
DESIGNED AND DELIVERED BY EXPERTS

12 weeks of summer-term lessons using the  
Letters and Sounds programme

Dear Parents/Carers

We are pleased to let you know that your child can receive a daily phonics lesson whilst schools are closed.

During the summer term, you will be able to access for your child a daily phonics lesson by clicking on the following link [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP\\_FbjYUP\\_UtldV2K\\_-niWw/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP_FbjYUP_UtldV2K_-niWw/videos) All lessons are introduced by celebrities, including children's TV presenters, which adds an exciting addition to the lessons.

Phonics is the way we teach children to recognise the sounds in words. It helps your child to learn to read and write is an essential part of your child's education.

There are three sets of daily lessons to choose from and we suggest your child starts with one set of lessons most suitable to their year group and reading ability. If you're not sure which lessons your child should watch or your child finds the lessons too difficult, then your school should be able to recommend which lessons are the most appropriate for your child. If you have any questions please e-mail [homelearning@overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:homelearning@overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk)

From Monday 27 April, a new phonics lesson will be uploaded every day, Monday to Friday, at the times below during the summer term. \*After upload, each lesson will then be available to watch at any time during the summer term.

11 am*	<u>Learning to blend</u>	For children in Reception and Year 1 who need extra practice sounding and reading words such as 'tap' 'cap' 'mat' 'pat'
10 am*	<u>Reception Summer term</u>	For children who can confidently blend and read words such as 'fish' 'chat' and 'rain'
10:30 am*	<u>Year 1 Summer term</u>	For children who can confidently blend and read words such as 'stamp' 'chair' and 'green'

At Overdale Infant School, we have watched the first few videos to see how the lessons are taught and what is included. At our school we teach phonics using the KTC phonics programme. The format of our lessons is slightly different these video lessons but we still follow the progression of the Letters and Sounds programme. Also at Overdale we teach the 'tricky words' (e.g. she, he, them) as **sight words** and aim for children to be able to "See the word, say the word" rather than using phonics to blend such words.

As well as using these lessons, we encourage you to listen to your child read using the online reading books that are specifically allocated to your child every Monday by your child's class teacher via <https://my.risingstars-uk.com> .

Further guidance on how you can help your child continue their education at home is available at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-primary-school-children-continue-their-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19#year-3-to-6-children> .

As with all online content, parents and carers are advised to supervise their child's use of the internet. Further guidance and support on the use of online materials can be accessed from websites such as

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

[https://www.internetmatters.org/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIktuA5LWK2wIVRYXVCh2afg2aEAAAYASAAEgIJ5vD\\_BwE](https://www.internetmatters.org/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIktuA5LWK2wIVRYXVCh2afg2aEAAAYASAAEgIJ5vD_BwE)

We hope you will find the new phonics lessons useful to support your child's learning during this unprecedented time.

Regards

The Senior Leadership Team

Overdale Infant School