



# Reception Parent Meeting

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**Read Write Inc.**  
Phonics

At our recent parent meeting, we discussed our RWI phonics scheme and how you can support with reading at home. Please find below our top tips for supporting your child's reading journey at the start of Reception. Please also take the time to watch the videos linked to these. Thankyou for your continued support.

1. Use pure sounds rather than letter names. Practise saying the sounds correctly and help by correcting your child.  
<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/OaOdL33f/fTtKdMLY>
2. Teach the picture names e.g. Maisy, mountain, mountain using the handwriting sheet inside your child's sound practice booklet.
3. Practise reading sounds speedily with your child. We will be handing out flashcards to support with this. Your child needs to read their sounds speedily before they can blend sounds together to read words.
4. Watch the Virtual Classroom films together (QR codes we send home). Set aside 10mins each day to quietly listen to the films.
5. Use the handwriting phrases to practise writing letters correctly. Your child is bringing home a sound practice sheet daily.
6. Read to your child every day and follow our top 10 tips for story times.
  1. **Make it a special quiet time.**
  2. **Show curiosity.**
  3. **Make it a treat.**
  4. **Read story once without stopping.**
  5. **Chat about the story.**
  6. **Avoid testing with questions.**

**7. Link to other stories and experiences.**

**8. Read favourites over and over again.**

**9. Use different voices.**

**10. Love the book.**

Watch this video to understand why this is important.

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/pdAIVZAW/uqtBxGGP>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/gq121bpn/2DpUTToX>

7. Value time to listen to your child tell stories using the books with no words. This is an important stage for your child, they learn to interpret what is happening in a story through pictures. It allows time for them to develop their understanding skills as you discuss together what is happening and how characters feel.

### **Other helpful videos:**

What is RWI phonics?

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/CI9X0c3l/PLJcdfvj>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/5WO4gf40/HgRy9O5g>

Ruth Miskin Parents' Page:

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Free e-books for home reading:

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/Reading/>

Teach a child to read and keep that child reading and we will change everything.

**And I mean everything.**

*Jeanette Winterson*