



Wellow
Primary School



Read, Write, Inc!

An introduction to the teaching of
reading and writing at Wellow
Primary School.

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What is Read Write Inc?

- A way of teaching reading and spelling based on the link between sounds and the way we write them down (graphemes).
- There are 44 sounds in the English language which we teach the children to read and write.

Why do we follow this programme at Wellow?

- Everyone reading by 6 years old.
- Been taught here since 2011 - all staff trained together by a RWI representative.
- Government approved – great results nationwide, including in Tower Hamlets where it was devised by Ruth Miskin.
- Develops confidence in reading and writing – systematic approach
- 100% participation

The 44 sounds

- The Simple Speed Sounds Chart
- Alphabet cards and jingle to support each of the sounds
- Complex Speed Sounds Chart (Years 1 & 2) shows how each sound can be written in more than one way.

Simple Speed Sounds Chart

Simple Speed Sounds

Consonant sounds - stretchy

f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng
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Consonant sounds - bouncy

b	c	d	g	h	j	p	qu	t	w	x	y	ch
	k											

Vowel sounds - bouncy

a	e	i	o	u	ay	ee	igh	ow
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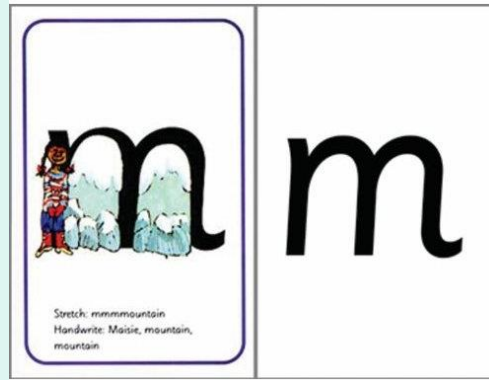
Vowel sounds - stretchy

oo	oo	ar	or	air	ir	ou	oy
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4 'P's

- Pace
- Praise
- Purpose
- Participation

The beginning of phonics - Speed Sounds



- Say the sound (my turn, your turn)
- Read the sound
- Write the sound
- Fred Talk
- Speed sounds sent home

Fred

- Fred can only speak in individual sounds, not whole words.
- Fred talk
- Fred fingers
- The sounds must be “pure”. So “c” “a” “t”
NOT “cuh” “a” “tuh”.
- Avoid saying “uh” after sounds.



WordTime!

- Fred Talk to read – alphabet cards and magnetic tiles
- Green words – can be sounded out
- Fred Fingers to spell
- Write the word

Reading

In school:

- Miskin ditties
- Miskin reading books – red words introduced

At home:

- School reading scheme to extend vocabulary and reading experience

What else can you do at home?

- Share books and reading – library books
- Reading must be enjoyable - if they are having trouble – help them – tell them the word!
- Bingo, pairs, matching, snap
- I spy
- Games with ‘Fred Talk’
- Practise sounding out CVC words – cat, bed, pig...
- Look on the website!