

## **Phonics and Reading in the Early Years**

Children here at Morley follow a phonics programme based on a combination of both Letters and Sounds and Jolly Phonics. It provides children with the building blocks needed for early reading and writing whilst being great fun! Children learn to read at their own pace and they begin by learning letter sounds and when ready progress onto blending letters into simple words and then reading their own books.



We think that even in the early stages of reading children should have access to a wide variety of text types, so we use the book bands scheme at Morley. It is the expectation that by the end of the Autumn Term most children will have learnt all 26 phonemes and be taking home their own reading book.

When children are confident with the 26 initial sounds they then move them onto developing their writing as part of the phonics session. We follow the Nelson non – cursive forms:

### **The Letter forms**

a b c d e f g h i j k l m  
n o p q r s t u v w x y z

### **The Capital letters**

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N  
O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

### **The Numerals**

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

