

At Woodford Valley, phonics is discretely taught in Reception and Key Stage One in order to teach and develop early reading and writing skills. We follow the Letters and Sounds programme. More information about the content of this programme can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/190599/Letters_and_Sounds_-_DFES-00281-2007.pdf

In Reception, children work on Phases 2 and 3 where they begin to associate phonemes with their corresponding graphemes and learn how to blend phonemes to read and segment to write. In Year One, work on Phase is consolidated before moving on to teach Phases 4 & 5. In Year Two, children work on consolidating Phase 5 and move on to Stage 6. The programme is tailored to best meet the needs of our pupils in each year group but follows this structured approach.