



## Home Reading

At Woodcote Primary School, we teach children to read through *Little Wandle Letters and Sounds* Phonics programme.

In school, your child has daily lessons, teaching them new sounds, letters that represent those sounds, and how to begin blending these to read. Reading at home plays a vital part in this too, as it provides opportunities for your child to practise their skills and develop fluency and a love of reading!

### **Little Wandle decodable phonics books**

Your child will be bringing home a reading practice book matched to their phonic stage and will be fully decodable. Your child should be able to read the practice book independently and fluently without any significant help. Initially, your child may come home with a wordless book. To support your child with these, and all Little Wandle books, please read the highlighted grey section on the inside cover headed 'Reading at Home'.

You will notice your child brings home the **same** book throughout the week, this is because reading the same book will help to build their confidence and fluency, and will secure reading strategies. Once they can read the words in the book, they may wish to practise reading with expression. Your child will be familiar with this, as this is the approach we also use in school.

Your child will thrive on positive praise and encouragement as they show off their fabulous reading! 😊

When you have heard your child read please could you acknowledge this by writing in their Yellow Reading Record Book. This book is only for parent comments.

**We want to ensure all children have access to a range of high-quality books that they can take home. Our amazing new *Big Cat for Little Wandle* books are specifically matched to our Phonics scheme and will help consolidate the learning your child has been doing in school. These books however, are very expensive, which is why we ask that you play a vital part in looking after these books when they come home. Please ensure they are kept inside the plastic wallet (to prevent damage from leaking water bottles) and are returned to school daily.** This way, we can ensure every child can benefit from these wonderful books in the long term. Any books not returned will incur a charge. Thank you for your continued support 😊