

## St Joseph's RCP School Phonics Progression

Stage	Expectations
Group A	The children may know a few single letter sounds.
Set 1 Sounds	Lessons include teaching single letter sounds and
	assisting children to blend (using
(Rec Autumn)	magnetic letters) in order to read CVC words. The
	children practise the formation of letters
	through the use of a phrase that is associated with
	the pictorial representation of the letter.
	After they have learnt the first few sounds they are
	taught to use 'Fred Fingers' to help
	them record simple words
Group B	The children know most single letter sounds and now
Set 1 Sounds	need to learn to blend orally.
	Lessons also focus on teaching gaps in single letter
(Rec Autumn)	sounds.
Group C	The children know most single letter sounds and are
Set 1 Sounds	able to blend orally.
	The gaps in single letter sounds are taught and
(Rec Autumn)	further vocabulary containing 'Special
	Friends'.
Ditty Group	The children know all Set 1 single letter sounds
(5 0 1 7)	speedily and can blend sounds into words
(Rec Spring EXP)	orally. They are able to Fred Talk most words.
	Lesson content involves continuing to teach and
(Year 1 Autumn	review Set 1 Sounds with the focus on the
WTS)	Special Friends sh ch th qu ng nk qu
	In addition the children learn to read the sounds and
	words needed to read a simple Ditty sheet each day.
	They also write a simple phrase or sentence related to
D 10	the Ditty
Red Group	The children know all Set 1 sounds speedily. They are
(D C	able to Fred Talk most words and are now able to use
(Rec Spring EXP)	the same skills to read alien/nonsense words.
()/1	Lessons involve reviewing Set 1 Sounds and
(Year 1 Autumn	vocabulary. They also learn to read more words
WTS)	containing Special Friends and words that contain 4+

sounds.  The children are now reading the Red Ditty Books.  In Reception the lesson follows the format for the
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previous Ditty Group because the lesson is shorter.
In Key Stage 1 groups the lesson will also include
'Speedy Green Words', 'Questions to
Talk About', a second read of the Ditty and 'Complet
a Sentence' in addition to 'Hold a
Sentence'
Green Group The children are able to Fred Talk real and alien
words and also read a range of real words
(Rec Summer speedily (no Fred Talk).
EXP) Lessons involve reviewing Set 1 Sounds and
vocabulary containing 4+ sounds.
(Year 1 Autumn   Set 2 Sounds are now taught (ay ee igh ow oo oo o
WTS) ar air ir ou oy)
The Story Book lesson runs over three days. The
children practise the Speed Sounds and
Green Words related to the Story. They also practise
reading Green and Red Words
(common exception) speedily. They will answer
questions about the story and practise
building sentences orally. They read the story three
times with the focus on building intonation and
fluency.
In addition to Hold a Sentence they proofread a
sentence in order to correct spelling and punctuation
errors. They also write simple sentences related to th
Story Book. These may also be in the form of speech
bubbles, lists, posters, recipes, letters or simple
instructions.
Purple Group The children are able to read most words speedily
Lesson content is the same as for the Green Group,
providing children who need it with further
opportunities to practise and consolidate.
Pink Group The children are able to read ay ee igh ow oo oo
speedily. They are able to Fred Talk real and alien
(Rec Summer words and also read a range of real words speedily
GD) (no Fred Talk)
The Story Book Lessons follow the same three day

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(Year 1 Autumn	format and reading activities as detailed for the Green
EXP, Spring	Group. Writing activities also involve composing
WTS)	descriptive sentences, questions and responses and
	commands
Orange Group	The children are able to read ar or air ir ou oy
	speedily. They are able to Fred Talk real and
(Year 1 Autumn	alien words and also read a range of real words
GD, Spring EXP,	speedily (no Fred Talk)
Summer WTS)	Lessons continue to review Set 1 and 2 sounds. Set 3
	sounds are now taught, the focus is on reading at
	this stage. (ea oi a-e i-e o-e u-e aw are ur er ow ai
	oa ew ire ear ure tiontious/cious)
	The Story Book Lessons follow the same three day
	format and reading activities as detailed for the Green
	Group
	Writing: descriptive sentences, speech and thought
	bubbles, short sequenced narrative,
	shopping list, persuasive invitation and comparative
	description
Yellow Group	The children are able to read alien words and real
·	words containing Set 1 and 2 Sounds speedily (no
(Year 1 Spring	Fred Talk)
GD, Summer	The Speed Sound Lesson reviews Set 1, 2 and 3
EXP)	Sounds and now includes writing words containing
	Set 3 Sounds.
(Year 2 Autumn	The Story Book Lesson extends to five days. In
WTS)	addition to the previous activities (see
	green Group) the children will complete grammar and
	vocabulary activities and an additional proofread
	with the focus on grammar. The children are taught
	to spell Red and Green words, culminating in a Spell
	Check and Spell Test at the end of the week.
	Grammar: verbs, apostrophe, past tense (suffixes and
	adjectives) prefix -un, plurals using suffixes, joining
	words and clauses, compound words, adjectives,
	nouns, past tense statements
	Writing: sequenced narrative, poster, writing in role,
	short play, advertisement, leaflet,
	Instructions
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Blue Group	The children are able to read a-e ea i-e o-e u-e oi
	speedily and alien words containing other Set 3
(Year 1 Summer	Sounds.
GD)	They can read a text at 70+ words per minute
	The Speed Sound Lesson reviews Set 2 and 3 Sounds
(Year 2 Autumn	The Story Book Lesson follows the format and
EXP)	activities detailed for the Yellow Group.
	Grammar: noun phrases, verbs, adjectives, adverbs,
	past and present tense, commas in
	lists, apostrophe (omission), compound words
	Writing: newspaper report, writing in role, letter,
	invitation, poem, journey description,
	instructions, persuasive poster
Grey Group	The children are able to read ai oa ew oi ire ear er aw
	ow ure are ur speedily and alien words containing
(Year 2 Autumn	these and other Set 3 Sounds.
GD)	They can read a text at 80+ words per minute
	The Story Book Lesson follows the format and
	activities detailed for the Yellow Group.
	Grammar: co-ordination (or, and, but), progressive in
	past tense, commands, nouns, apostrophe
	(possessive), progressive in past and present tense,
	adverbs, suffixes (ful, less),
	subordination (when if that because), adjectives,
	verbs, commands and statements, noun
	phrases
	Writing: informative poster, writing in role,
	instructions, list, recount, fact file, questions and
	answers