

St Katherine's School & Nursery

Phonics Approach



This is the order in which children are exposed to sound-spelling correspondences from Reception through to Year 2, following the Sounds-Write scheme of teaching Phonics.

Initial Code (Reception)			
Unit	Word Structure	New Sounds	New High Frequency Words
IC Unit 1	CVC	a, i, m, s, t	
IC Unit 2	CVC	n, o, p	is, a
IC Unit 3	CVC	b, c, g, h	the, l
IC Unit 4	CVC	d, e, f, v	for, of
IC Unit 5	CVC	k, l, r, u	to are
IC Unit 6	CVC	j, w, z	was
IC Unit 7	CVC	x, y, ff, ll ss, zz	all
IC Unit 8	VCC & CVCC	Using the previously taught sounds	come, some
IC Unit 9	CCVC		
IC Unit 10	CCVCC, CVCCC, CCCVC		
IC Unit 11		sh, ch, th, ck, wh, ng, qu	there, their, these, what, where, who
Extended Code (Year 1 to Year 2)			
Unit	/Sounds/ Spellings	Spellings /Sounds/	
EC Unit 1	/ae/ ai, ay, ea, a-e		
EC Unit 2	/ee/ e, ea, ee, y, ie, e-e		
EC Unit 3	ea /ae/ (great) & /ee/ (team)		
EC Unit 4	/oe/ o, oa, o-e, ou, ow, oe		
EC Unit 5	o /oe/ (no) & /o/ (hot)		

EC Unit 6	/er/ er, ir, or, ur
EC Unit 7	/e/ e, ea, ai
EC Unit 8	/ow/ ou, ow
EC Unit 9	ow /ow/ (cow) & /oe/ (snow)

EC Unit 10	m/oo/n oo, ou, ue, ew, u-e, o
EC Unit 11	/ie/ i, igh, y, ie, i-e
EC Unit 12	b/oo/k oo, u, oul
EC Unit 13	oo m/oo/n & b/oo/k
EC Unit 14	/u/ o ou u
EC Unit 15	ou /ow/ (loud), /u/ (double) & /oo/ (soup)
EC Unit 16	/s/ s, ss, st, c, ce, se, sc
EC Unit 17	s /s/ (bricks) & /z/ (his)
EC Unit 18	/l/ l, ll, al, el, il, le, ol
EC Unit 19	/or/ or, aw, au, a, ar, al
EC Unit 20	/air/ air, are, ear, ere, eir
EC Unit 21	/ue/ ue, ew, u, u-e
EC Unit 22	ew /oo/ (blew) & /ue/ (new)
EC Unit 23	/oy/ oi, oy
EC Unit 24	/ar/ ar, a, al, au

EC Unit 25	/o/ o, a
EC Unit 26	a /o/ (was), /a/ (cat), /ae/ (apron) & /ar/ (father)
EC Unit 27	/ae/ ai, ay, ea, a-e, a, ei, ey, eigh
EC Unit 28	/d/ d, dd, ed
EC Unit 29	/ee/ e, ee, ea, y, ey, ie, i
EC Unit 30	/i/ i, ui, e, y
EC Unit 31	y /y/ (yellow), /i/ (hymn), /ie/ (cry) & /ee/ (happy)
EC Unit 32	/oe/ oe, o-e, ow, oa, ou, ough, o
EC Unit 33	/n/ n, nn, ne, gn, kn
EC Unit 34	/er/ ar, er, ir, or, ur, ear, our
EC Unit 35	/v/ v, vv, ve
EC Unit 36	m/oo/n oo, ew, u, ue, u-e, ui, ou, ough
EC Unit 37	/j/ j, g, ge, dge
EC Unit 38	/g/ g, gg, gh, gu
EC Unit 39	g /j/ (angel) & /g/ (gym)
EC Unit 40	/f/ f, ff, gh, ph
EC Unit 41	gh /f/ (cough) & /g/ (ghost)
EC Unit 42	/m/ m, mm, mb, mn
EC Unit 43	/or/ oar, ore, our, augh, ough
EC Unit 44	/h/ h, wh

EC Unit 45	/k/ c, k, ck, ch, cc
EC Unit 46	/r/ r, rr, rh, wr
EC Unit 47	/t/ t, tt, bt, te
EC Unit 48	/z/ z, ze, zz, s, se, ss
EC Unit 49	/eer/ eer, ere, ear