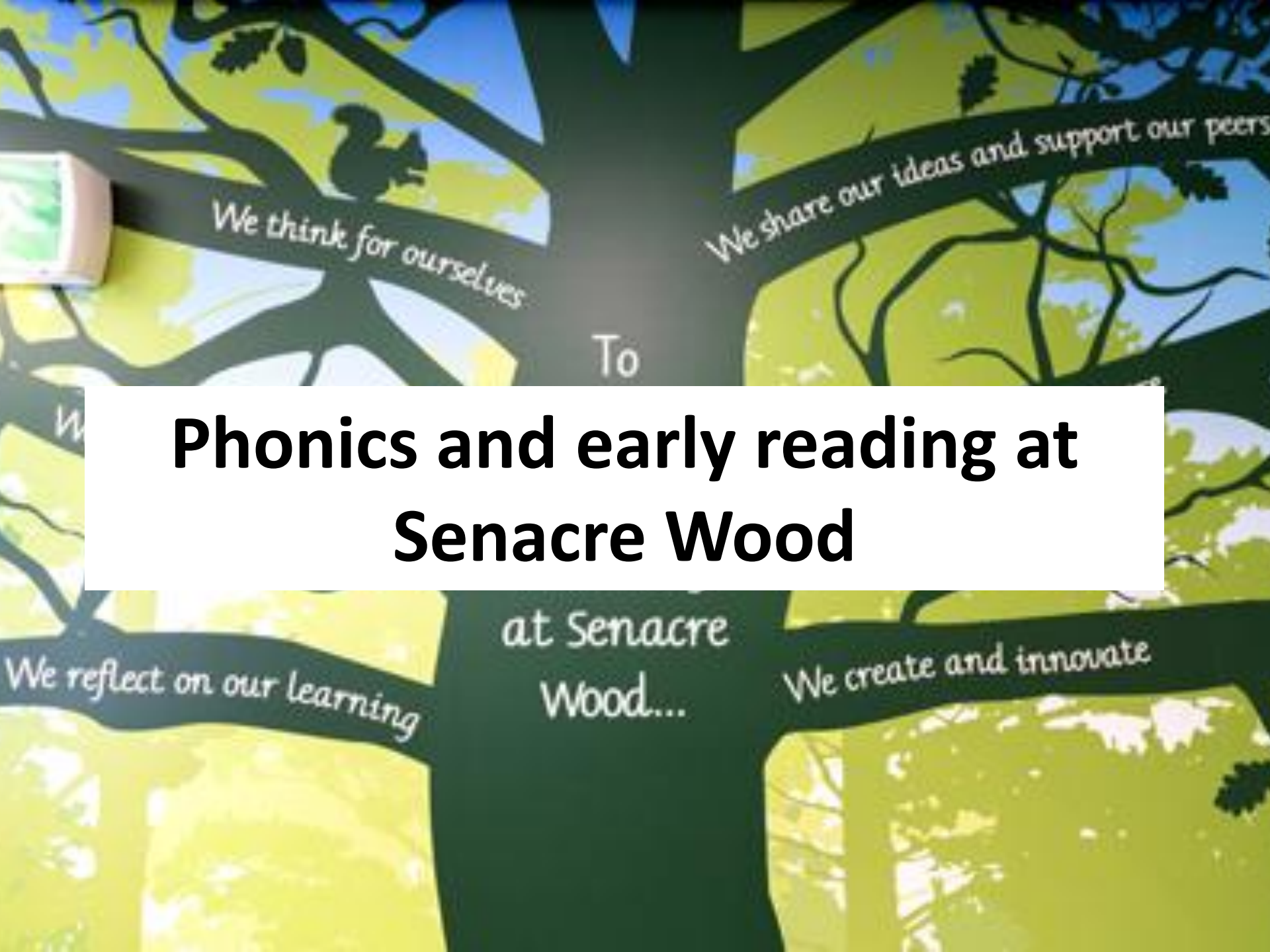


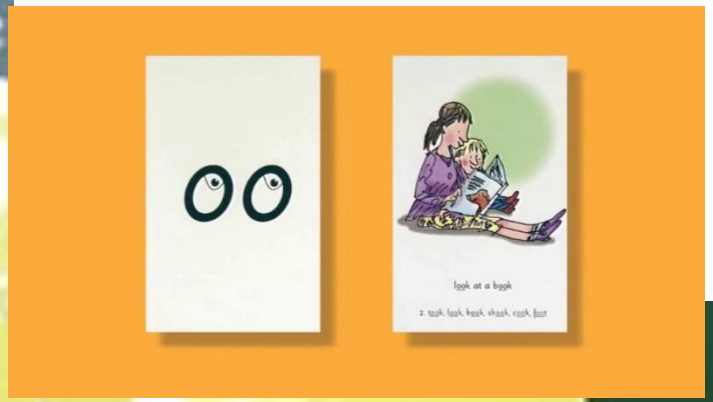
Phonics and early reading at Senacre Wood

Read Write Inc. Phonics

- At Senacre Wood, we follow the Read Write Inc phonics and Get Writing program
- The Read Write Inc phonics program is a systematic synthetic phonics program.
- The program has been approved by the Department for Education

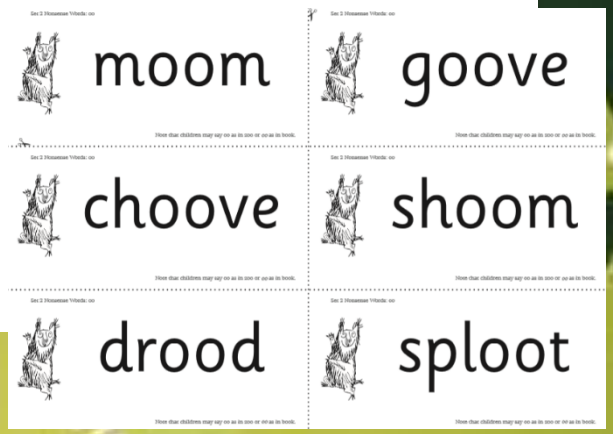
What does phonics look like for your children?

- The children are taught new sounds in the RWI specified order in their Speed sounds lesson.
- Within this lesson they will learn this sound first orally, then by sight and then within words and alien words



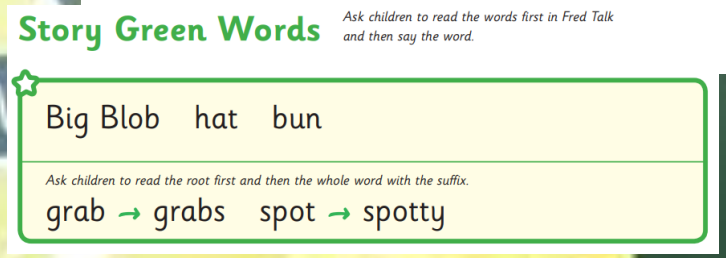
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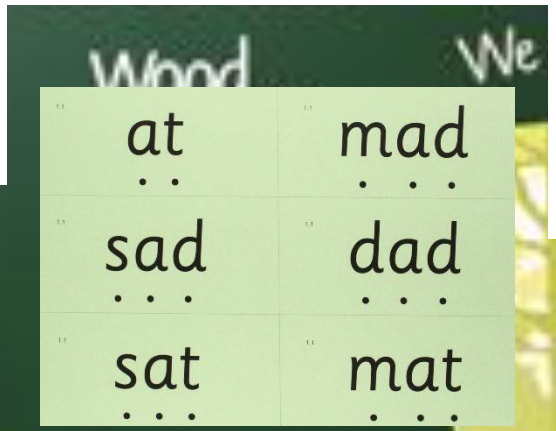
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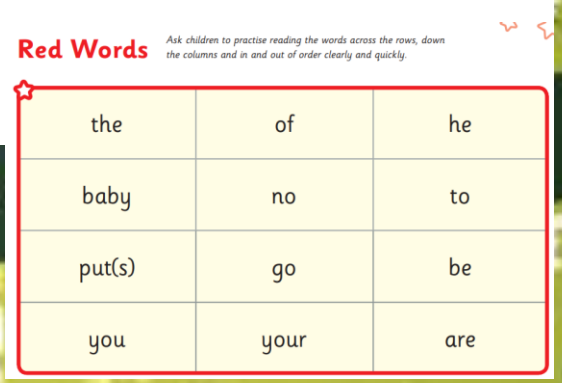


Green words and red words

- The children read the story green words from the book they will be reading in class as a group, **before** reading within the story.
- They will then read the speedy green words.
- As a group, they will read the red words (words that are not phonetically decodable) **before** reading within the story.







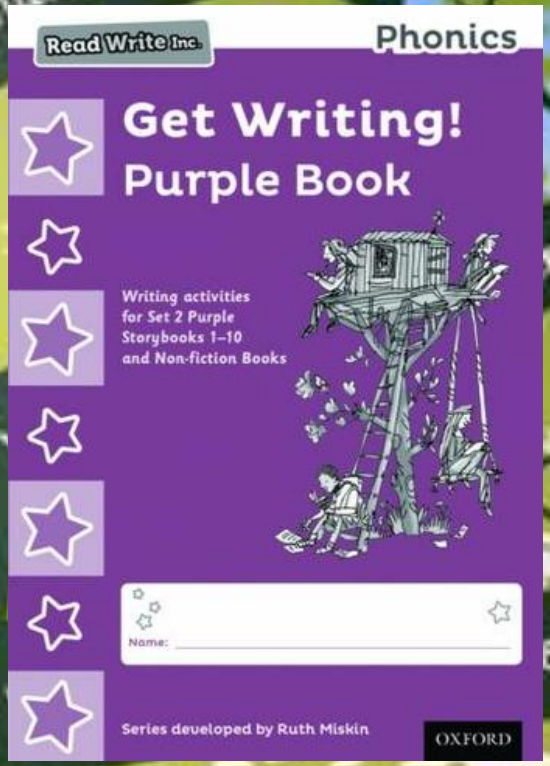
Reading with Read Write Inc

- Children read their coloured story book with their partner, reading a page each
- Their phonics teacher will move around the group, hearing the children read



RWI Get Writing

- Children in Year 1 complete activities within the RWI Get Writing books as their English lesson every morning with their Phonics teacher.

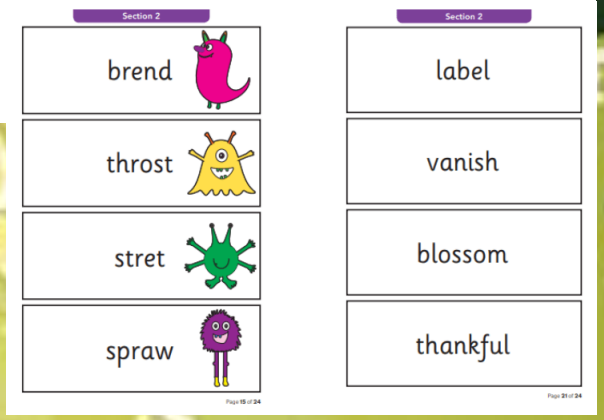


Reading and Phonics assessment

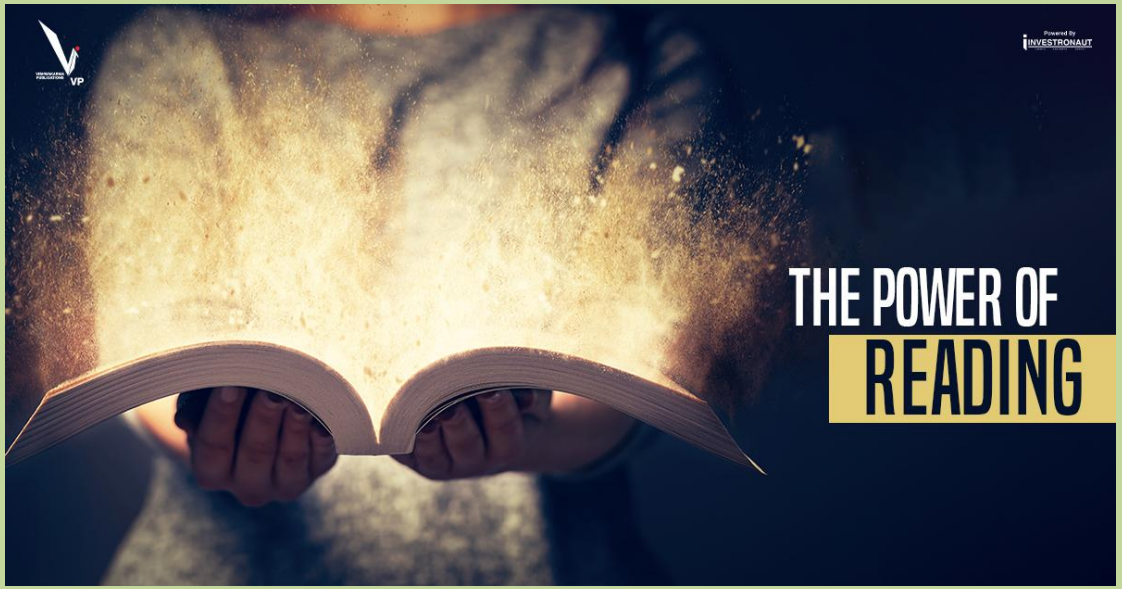
- The children are assessed using the RWI assessments each half term. This determines which coloured group will best suit their abilities the following term
- We complete *Phonics Screening Check* mock tests each half term to assess to children's progress

The Phonics Screening Check

- This is **National** test that takes place for all year 1 children across the country each **June**.
- Historically, the children will need to obtain a score of **32/40** to pass the check, though the pass mark was dropped to 31 last year (2026)
- The check is made up of **40 words** to test the children's phonic knowledge. **20 real words** and **20 nonsense**/alien words
- I will hold a meeting specifically for the PSC nearer the time



Reading at home

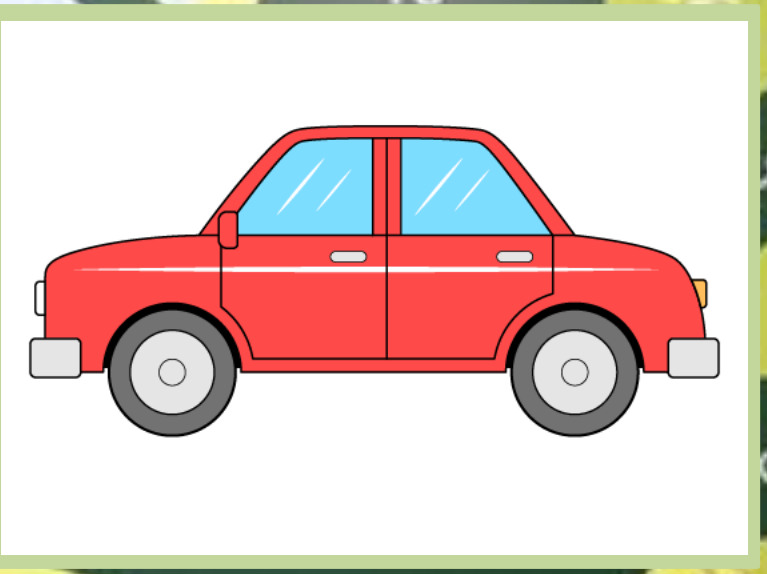


Why read at home?

- Reading at home helps the children to consolidate the knowledge that they gain when in school
- It gives you, as a parent, a clear understanding of how your child is getting on with their reading
- Reading or being read to increases the amount of vocabulary
- Reading with your child gives them special, uninterrupted time with you where they can build their confidence



‘Reading is the best way for your child to grow their vocabulary because books are troves of knowledge with unique language that describes the world around us.’(Scholastic.com)



Reading at home

- The children will usually be given a new RWI Book Bag Book every Monday, this will be written in their reading records.
- They will keep this book ALL WEEK. It is vitally important that children reread texts to improve their fluency and confidence.
- They DO NOT need to read the whole book every night, a page or two is fine
- Every Friday, they will visit the library where they will choose a special library book to keep until the following Friday. This is a book for them to love and treasure and read for pleasure.
- The children that are noticed for making the most effort to read at home this term will be in with a chance to take home Rosie the reading bear and two hot chocolate sachets over the weekend.



Reading for pleasure

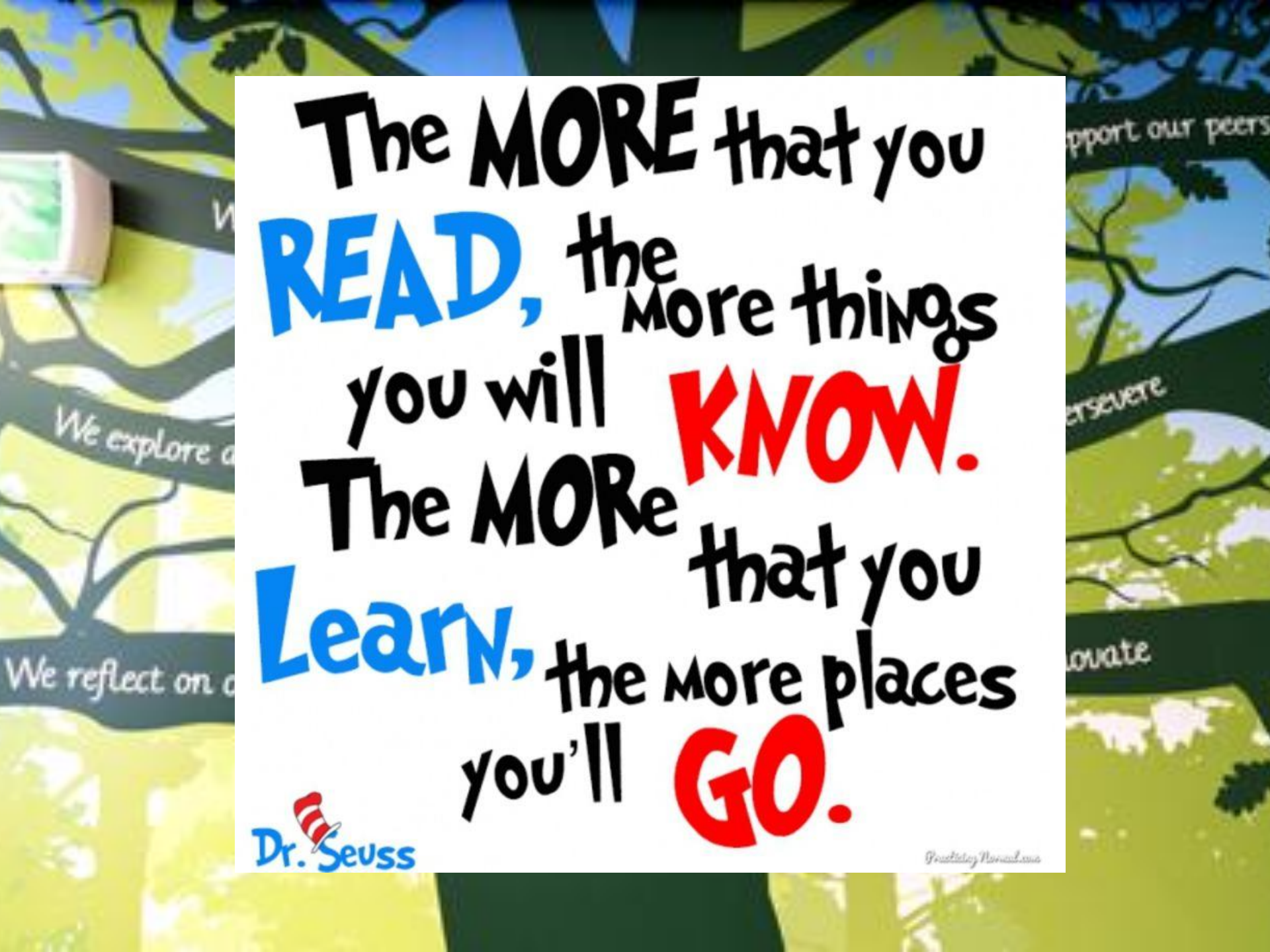
- We have been so impressed with the amount of texts that the children have been enjoying with you at home!
- These statistics were taken from *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics* showing the amount of words a child aged 5 will accumulate if they read…
- **5 books per day:** 1,483,300 words
- **Daily (1 book per day):** 296,660 words
- **3 to 5 times per week:** 169,520 words
- **1 to 2 times per week:** 63,570 words



A few tips and tricks to take away with you:


BINGO
Read a book with a movie adaptation
Read an audiobook
Read a book that someone gave you
Read a book published this year
Book that you can finish in one day
Read wearing sunglasses
Read in bed
Read in a fort
Read while eating
Read in pajamas
Read a book that makes you laugh
Read a book with more than 12 chapters
Read a book with a female heroine
Read a book set in a different country
Read a book by a favorite author
Read to a parent
Read outside
Read with a flashlight or headlamp
Read for 1 hour
Read under a tree
Read a book in a series
Read 30 minutes
Read a book by an author you've never read
Read a nonfiction book
Read an award winning book
Imagination Soup

	Who was your favourite character and why?
	What is the story about?
	Who are the main characters?
	What was your favourite part of the story?
	What questions do you have about the story?
	Where was the story set? (Where did it happen?)


The MORE that you
READ, the more things
you will KNOW.
The MORE that you
Learn, the more places
you'll GO.
Dr. Seuss



Let's bring in the experts...the children