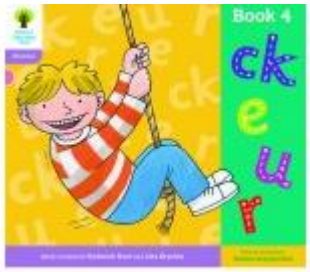
Daily Phonics

At St Peter's children learn to read, spell and write through an interactive and engaging Phonics programme called 'Floppy's Phonics'. This programme teaches the letter/s-sound correspondences of the English alphabetic code explicitly and comprehensively.

The programme is systematic and structured to ensure the success of every child. It includes the characters of Floppy the dog, Biff, Chip and Kipper and their family and friends, with hundreds of colour pictures to engage children fully for the phonics teaching & learning, vocabulary enrichment and language comprehension





The rigorous teaching sequences and inbuilt revision ensure that phonics teaching & learning at St Peter's is straightforward, effective and allows for appropriate differentiation.

Tricky Words

Common exception or 'tricky words', as we often refer to them, are taught alongside Floppy's phonics. These are words that cannot easily be decoded using phonics such as ***'me'***, '***said***', '***was***'. They are taught every week in fun and interactive ways allowing children to apply their sight vocabulary knowledge confidently in their reading and writing.

Assessment

All children have a sound and word booklet that they start in EYFS where the sounds and words they can read are highlighted. This moves up through school with them. In the Summer term in Year One all children are required to complete a Phonics screening check. This is designed to check whether pupils understand phonics to an appropriate standard. Pupils can re take the screening check in Year Two if needed.

Home Support

To help support the Phonics taught in school, parents are invited to attend Reading ,Writing and Phonics workshops. Videos are shared with parents via Seesaw with guidance on how to support their child at home with their phonics and reading. Children bring home weekly Floppy's Phonics activity sheets matched to the sounds they have just learned for them to practise and consolidate their knowledge and skills. They also bring home tricky words from the corresponding Phonics Phase to learn.