

## Phonics at Emscote Infant School

### Reception

In reception we use a combination of phonics scheme to support the children in their learning. These are 'Jolly Phonics,' 'Espresso phonics' and later on in the year, once we have learnt our initial sounds, we progress to 'Floppy phonics.'



### Year 1 and 2

In Year 1 and 2 we continue the work of Floppy Phonics. This focuses on teaching three core skills: blending for reading and segmenting for spelling and handwriting. We use the correct terminology whilst teaching this such as graphemes and phonemes etc. Alongside this we also teach tricky words (words you cannot phonetically sound out) which are included in our weekly spellings.



### Vocabulary to use

Blending - Identify the graphemes from left to right of the printed word, say the sounds and blend them to hear the whole word. The blending process is called decoding.

Segmenting – Identify the sounds from beginning to end of the spoken word. Write down a grapheme for each identified sound to spell the word. The segmenting process is called encoding.

