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Reading at Mousehold Infant and Nursery School

We want our children to become enthusiastic readers, who read both for pleasure and to support other learning. We aim to provide a wealth of reading matter to inspire our children.

At Mousehold Infant and Nursery School we use guided reading books from the Oxford Reading Tree and Project X series, as well as some Big Cat series books. Children bring a guided reading book home most weeks to share with you. At school, your child will practise reading with adult support, in a group with other children. This develops the ability to talk about what the children are reading and encourages comprehension skills. We also prompt our children to browse a range of books from our class reading areas and from our school library.

We all enjoy reading at Mousehold and our school adults frequently share their favourite children's books with our classes. Teachers like to swap classes at least once a term for story time. We especially enjoy Reading Cafes, when we can share favourite books and topic learning with parents and carers. Please look out for future Reading Café dates.

Alongside daily reading sessions every class has a daily phonics session. At Mousehold Infant and Nursery School we follow the 'Letters and Sounds' scheme of work. In the daily phonics sessions children are taught to identify sounds in spoken words, recognise the common spellings of each phoneme, blend phonemes into words for reading and segment words into phonemes for spelling. This is carried out through fun and interactive activities. At our school a big emphasis is placed on the teaching of phonics, as the ability to read and write is a vital skill, paving the way for an enjoyable and successful school experience.

