Phonics/Reading Workshop

Einstein Class

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How do we teach phonics?

- The scheme we use in school is called 'Little Wandle'.
- It is a DFE commissioned phonics scheme.
- It is a systematic synthetic scheme to teach children to read (sequential method where a letter corresponds to a sound).

What does a phonics session look like?

- For children in Year 1, they are taught phonics five times a week for 20 minutes using flashcards and a flipchart.
- For children in Year 2, they are taught phonics/reading using 'Little Wandle Fluency' three times a week for 20 minutes. They have a spelling session and spelling test on the other two days (Mon and Fri).

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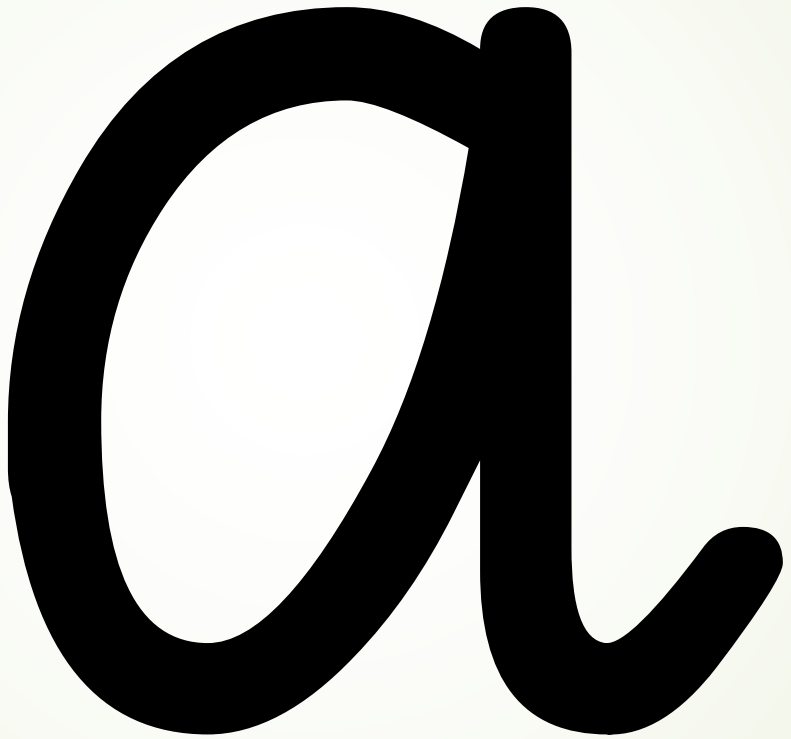
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Let's Spell!

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*depending on regional accent

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What can we do at home?

- Your child will come home with a book matched to their phonic ability. If your child is in Year 1 they will have already read the book in school.
- Year 1 will have sounds to practice weekly.
- Read with your child for 5-10 minutes daily to increase fluency.
- Ask them questions about what they have read.
- Letter formation practice – see leaflet