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Dear Parents and Carers

Yellow, Blue and Grey Read Write Inc home books

Your child has been working incredibly hard with their phonic learning in school.

Your child has recently been assessed to be working at one of the above mentioned levels so they are now expected to read using the skill 'Fred in your head'. This means that your child should try to read the majority of their book by sight, which helps to build up their reading fluency. We expect most children to be able to read between 70-80 words in a minute by the time they finish grey level to be able to move from the Read Write Inc scheme onto the Oxford Reading Tree books. Please remind your child to use 'Fred in your head' when you are reading their home reading books.

'Fred in your head'

Once children can sound out a word, we teach them to say the sounds silently in their heads.

We show them how to do this by:

1. whispering the sounds and then saying the whole word;
2. mouthing the sounds silently and then saying the whole word;
3. saying the whole word straightaway.

Support with RWInc phonics at home

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/read-write-inc-phonics-guide/>

Free online ebooks that support RWInc

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/free-ebooks/>

Yours sincerely

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