

## PAISLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Read, Write, Inc.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

At Paisley Primary School, we are always looking at ways in which we can improve and keep up with the latest changes in education.

Starting from this autumn term, we are going to begin using the Read, Write, Inc. phonics programme in the foundation stage and key stage 1.

Synthetic phonics is a way of teaching reading. Your child will be taught two crucial things when they are learning to read using synthetic phonics - how sounds are represented by written letters. For example, they will be taught that the letter 'm' represents an mmm sound; and how sounds can be blended together to make words. For example, they will be taught that the sounds of the letters 'c-a-t' blend together to make the word 'cat'.

Of course, there are lots of ways that you can help at home. The following link gives you lots of information about the Read, Write Inc. programme, as well as lots of handy tips on helping your child say the sounds correctly and how to blend these sounds to make words. There are videos to watch which give top tips for reading with your child, as well as e-books which can be shared together at home.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Over the next few weeks, your child will begin to bring home flashcards and/or reading books which have been carefully matched to the sounds they have been taught in school. Please take the time to read these together to enable your child to make good progress and become a fluent and confident reader. You may also find that they bring home a story book. This is to be shared and enjoyed together along with their new reading book.

We pride ourselves on the teaching of phonics and early reading with children making good progress as they move through the school. This new programme - along with your help and support - will enhance the excellent teaching which is already happening here at Paisley.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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