



## Supporting Parents in understanding reading at Westcott

The resources on this page will help you to support your child with their reading at home.

There are two types of reading book that your child may bring home:

- A reading practice book. This will be in a **blue** folder and will be at the correct phonic stage for your child. They should be able to read this fluently and independently.
- A sharing book. This will be in a **yellow** folder, and it is like that your child will not be able to read this on their own. This book is for you both to read and enjoy together.

### Reading Practice Book

This book has been carefully matched to your child's current reading level. If your child is reading it with little help, please don't worry that it's too easy – your child needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading.

Listen to them read the book. Remember to give them lots of praise – celebrate their success! If they can't read a word, read it to them. After they have finished, talk about the book together.

### Sharing Book

In order to encourage your child to become a lifelong reader, it is important that they learn to read for pleasure. The sharing book is a book they have chosen for you to enjoy together.

Please remember that you shouldn't expect your child to read this alone. Read it to or with them. Discuss the pictures, enjoy the story, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters, explore the facts in a non-fiction book. The main thing is that you have fun!

### Additional Support

There are a range of excellent supporting materials for parents on the Little Wandle website. To view these materials, please click [here](#).

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to support.