



# John Ray Infant School

"learning together, aiming high, proud to be ourselves"

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Dear Parents/Carers

Foundation Stage and Year 1 have introduced a new and exciting approach to teaching phonics. We would like to invite you to join us for a session to see it in action on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October from 9.10am - 9.40am.

This will be a taught session with the opportunity to join in with some activities with your child.

We will see all of you there!

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Nash  
Reading and Phonics Lead



Dearest Parents,

"Reading Makes You Brainy" is The Phonic Fairy's mantra. She will guide your child through a magical fun way to learn to read and write. Using phenomenal writers of quality story books, she aims to instil a lifelong love of books.

The Phonic Fairy isn't a woodland fairy nor will she collect teeth hiding under pillows at night. She is a book fairy who flies inside books with the help of her book wings, magically transforming into various characters to read stories to children. She teaches the focus letters and sounds with the help of her magic pencil wand whilst saying her 'sparkle marks' to help guide children to form their letters correctly.

Storytime Phonics is a systematic, multisensory synthetic phonics programme. Written by an English Consultant and partnership tutor from the Faculty of Education, Cambridge University. Michelle Larbey AKA The Phonic Fairy worked closely with leading teachers and children to develop this fun dynamic approach to learning to read and write. We know your son or daughter will be excited to learn to read and write using the Storytime Phonics programme.