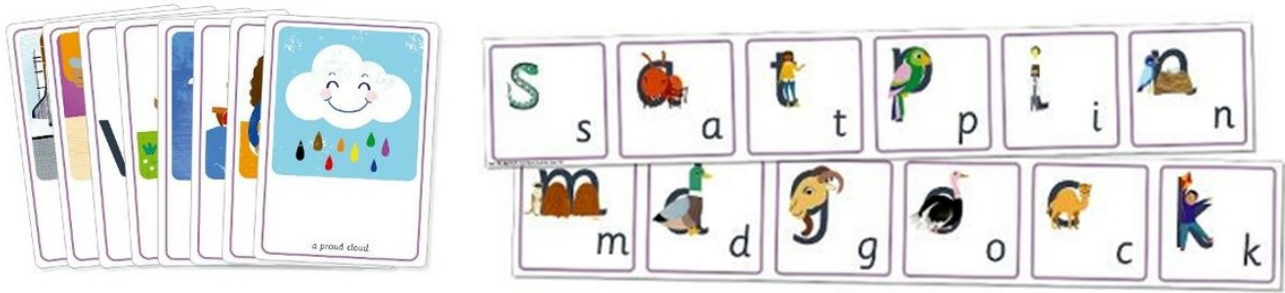


# Phonics at Fiveways School



Fiveways School use the Essential Letters and Sounds (ELS) scheme to teach phonics. It is a systematic synthetic phonics system (SSP). The SSP programme is designed to teach pupils how to read through the act of blending and segmenting. It teaches pupils the link between graphemes (written representation of the sound) and phonemes (the sounds of our language). Essential Letters and Sounds teaches the pupils the phonemes and formation of the letters, through repetition and consistency across the school.

Those pupils that are ready will learn phonics through flashcards and interactive whiteboard presentations alongside real objects and games. They will learn the 'harder to read and spell words' (tricky words) such as the, said, was and go. You may hear your children repeating the mnemonics (rhymes on how to form the letters) or hear them using 'robot arms' to blend phonemes together for words.

We also have a selection of decodable reading books which match the phonemes as the pupils learn them through the school.



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