## Reading Intent

At Alexandra Park Junior School, we recognise that the ability to read fluently, independently and effectively for meaning are some of the most important skills that we can teach our children from the very earliest age. It allows access to all other areas of the curriculum, providing opportunities to increase pupils' knowledge and understanding as well as being an important skill for future learning and employment. Therefore, we place the systematic teaching of reading at the very heart of our curriculum. Alongside this we aim to nurture a love of books and a desire to read for pleasure through sharing of high quality reading materials and the teaching of specific reading skills.
In order to ensure that the schools' curriculum intent and implementation are embedded securely and consistently across the school, the following systematic approach to teaching reading fluency and skills must be adhered to by all staff at Alexandra Park Junior School.
This reading structure incorporates teaching and learning strategies to develop reading fluency, vocabulary acquisition and development, expose children to age appropriate texts, support cross curricular learning and promote a love of reading.


## 1) Reading Implementation

Daily structure

The structure of each daily shared reading session will include:
1.Read a section of the text
2. Explore unfamiliar vocabulary - this could be achieved through a range of activities including: Word aware activities dictionary work, visuals, matching definitions and key words or drama - in order to develop the children's language acquisition
3. Introduce the question type - with a shared definition and examples of how the question will be structured. Teacher or teaching assistant will model how to answer the question by highlighting key words, identifying the answer in the text (if applicable to that question type) and creating a written answer
4. Allow the children the opportunity to verbally practise answering one or two examples of the question type; in pairs, as a group or independently.
(Steps 1-4 will take place with children in their Kagen groups.)
5. Children to move into their shared reading group activities (Appendix 2)
6. As all children (With the exception of SEND children who will have questions adapted to suit their needs and support material using inprint.) will have the same questions set, at the end of the lesson children will come back together as a whole class to share and mark their answers

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Shared reading group activities. These activities will embed and develop the reading and fluency skills taught during the whole class shared reading sessions. The class will be divided into three prior attainment groups numbered 1-3 (1LPA, $2 \mathrm{MPA}, 3 \mathrm{HPA}$ ) to complete work either with the teacher, teaching assistant, or in pairs (Appendix 2) .

All children (With the exception of SEND children who will have questions adapted to suit their needs and support material using inprint.) will be given the same set of questions to answer, either verbally or in writing. Children working with the teacher or teaching assistant will verbally answer the first few questions and then complete the remaining questions - initially recording their answers on whiteboards- before working with the teacher/teaching assistant to evaluate their answers and work collectively to produce a shared answer. Or they will be practicing reading a small section of text using text marking, talking tins and drama activities to support this.
Children working in pairs will answer all of the questions (taken from the focus content domains for that session) having time to discuss their answer and compose a written answer together writing in different colours so the teacher can assess each child's progress. These will be completed on paper and stored in the reading assessment files.

## Reading Implementation

## Structure of one to one reading sessions.

1. Ask background questions about the text. Did they enjoy the book? Why/ Why not.
2. Get the child to read a little of the text to you then stop them and point out some strengths of their reading.
3. Read a little further then pick out an area for development to work on.
4. Model how to achieve the area for development.
5. Give the child strategies to achieve their target while they are with you.
6. Allow them time to practice using the strategies you have suggested during the session.
7. After reading check the child's understanding of the text by asking what has just happened and what they think will happen next.

## Reading Impact

1. Reading lessons taught regularly and consistently in every class.
2. High quality age related texts used in every reading lesson.
3. Inclusion of all children being exposed to age related texts through listening for meaning for lower ability readers.
4. Data shows reading to be the strongest performing subject across all year groups.
5. Due to the structured nature of our reading lessons this enabled lessons to be shared on line during lock down with the least impact on progress.
6. Reading is prominent around school raising the profile of reading.
7. Consistent provision made for lowest $20 \%$ of readers through Phonics and inference training.

## Reading progression skills Lower Year 3

| READING: Strategies, expression, fluency. <br> Understanding and interpreting texts Grammatical awareness Steps to success for 1:1 reading and adult led fluency activity. | READING: Strategies, expression, fluency. Knowing how texts work (Reading for meaning) Steps to success for Comprehension Lessons content domain $B$ and $G$ | RESPONSE TO TEXT: <br> Comprehension, opinion, reference to text <br> (inference) Understanding and interpreting texts (Text cohesion) <br> Steps to success for Inference Lessons Content Domain C and F, Text Cohesion lessons content domain E and $H$, Vocabulary Lessons content domain A and D | RESPONSE TO TEXT: <br> Comprehension, opinion, reference to text (inference) Engaging with and responding to texts Steps to success for 1:1 reading and adult led fluency activity. |
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| I take notice of punctuation and meaning and pause appropriately. | I can find answers to my own questions using a variety of information texts. | I can justify prediction and opinions by referring to the text. | I can reflect on enjoyment and usefulness of reading a range of text types. |
|  | I can use detailed knowledge of alphabet to find books and locate information quickly. | I respond accurately and with supporting detail when answering questions. | I confidently relate my own experience to reading. |
|  | I can identify a range of key genres and know some main features. | I knows where to look for answers in the text. | I can independently read an increasing range of text types fluently and accurately. |



Progression of Knowledge and Skills

## Reading progression skills Year 3

| READING: Strategies. <br> expression. fluency. <br> Understanding and interpreting texts <br> Grammatical awareness <br> Steps to success for 1:1 reading and adult led fluency activity. | READING: Strategies, expression, fluency. <br> Knowing how rexts work (Reading for meaning) Steps to success for Comprehension Lessons content domain $B$ and $G$ | RESPONSE TO TEXT: <br> Comprehension, opinion. reference to text <br> (inference) Understanding and interpreting texts <br> (Text cohesion) <br> Steps to success for Inference Lessons Content Domain $C$ and $F$. <br> Text Cohesion lessons content domain $E$ and $H$, Vocabulary <br> Lessons content domain $A$ and $D$ | RESPONSE TO TEXT: Comprehension, opinion. reference to text (inference) Engaging with and responding to texts Steps to success for 1:1 reading and adult led fluency activity. |
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| I can maintain the readers interest through emphasising words, and adding pace to my reading. | I can find the main ideas in text, including chronological structure, cause/effect and plot. | I always look for links and draw conclusions. | I can concentrate on reading for longer periods and can persevere with longer texts. |
| I understands how the meaning of sentences is effected by punctuation, word onder and | I can use the index and headings to find information in a non-fiction text. | I Use evidence from the text to justify my opinions. | I can read a wide range of text types rapidly and accurately. |
|  | I knows an increasing range of text types, and genres, and can identify their matn fentures | I can find relevant words in a text without prompting. | I can compare the presentation of common themes across different genres |
|  |  | I knows where and how to look for answers in a text. | I can respond with empathy to elements of fiction and poetry. |
|  |  | I can refer to texts when explaining my views. |  |
|  |  | I shows understanding of significant ideas, themes, events and characters, and with help. I can show that they have used inference and deduction. |  |
|  |  | I can respond in detail when |  |




Progression of Knowledge and Skills

Reading progression skills Year 4

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|  |  | I can Use skimming, scanning and note-making to identify the gist or key points in a text. |  |
|  |  | I can give a detailed and well justified opinion giving both praise and eriticism appropriately. |  |
|  |  | May suggest possible improvements or sequels for texts. |  |
|  |  | Can explain how authors create particular effects in reader response - powerful vocabulary. questions, stock phrases etc. |  |
|  |  | Forms valid and well-justified conclusions based on textual ovistonne |  |
|  |  | I understand significant ideas, themes and structures. |  |
|  |  | I appreciate and respond to a range of relationships between characters, settings, and events. |  |



Progression of Knowledge and Skills


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|  |  | I understand stonificant ideas. |
|  |  | x appreciate and respond to a range of relationships and between characters, settings and events. |
|  |  | I can comprehend a range of mplicit (uuggessted but not |
|  |  | I show that I clesorly underestand the story |
|  |  | $\frac{1}{\text { I can identify fact and opimion in a }}$ |
|  |  | I can show I have read beyond the literal by the answers I give. |

RESPONSE TO TEXT: Comprehension, opinion
reference to text

## (inference) Engaging with

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RESPONSE TO TEXT: Comprehension, opinion
reference to text (inference) Understanding and interpreting texts and interpreting tex

I can explain implied meanings making reference to the text.

I can consider what the author may have intended to achieve.

| I always consider the impact of a rext on myself, and Understand that other reactions are possible. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| I understand significant ideas, themes and structures. |  |
| I apprectate and respond to a Fange of relationships and between chamacters, settings and events. |  |
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| I show that I clearly understand the story through my responses to questions. |  |
| I can identify fact and opintion in a |  |
| I can show I have read beyond the liveral by the answers I give. |  |

## Reading progression skills Year 6

| READING: Strategies. expression, fluency. <br> Understanding and interpreting texts Grammatical awareness Steps to success for 1:1 reading and adult led fluency activity. | READING: Strategies. <br> expression, fluency. <br> Knowing how texts work (Reading for meaning) Steps to success for Comprehension Lessons content domain B and C | RESPONSE TO TEXT: Comprehension. opinion. reference to text <br> (inference) Understanding and interpreting texts <br> (Text cohesion) <br> Steps to success for Inference Lessons Content Domain $C$ and $F$. <br> Text Cohesion lessons content domain $E$ and $H$, Vocabulary Lessons content domain A and D | RESPONSE TO TEXT: Comprehension, opinion. reference to text (inference) Engaging with and responding to texts Steps to success for 1:1 reading and adult led fluency activity. |
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| I can read aloud using nyy voice appropriately, and can vary my woice for different chorocters. | I can retrieve and collate information from a range of sources. | I use inference and deduction with confidence. | I assertively use texts to support reading purpose, regardless of personal taste or preference. |
| I use my voice and language to engoge the reader. | I can recognise and discuss the elements and purposes of different text structures, e.q. | I can speculate how readers may react in different ways to texts. | I can identify my own research needs and manage my reading accordingly. |


|  | reports, procedures, narratives <br> etc. | I Can select essential points. | I can describe and evaluate <br> authors' use of techniques, e.g. <br> narrative structure, themes or <br> figurative language, justifying <br> interpretations by reference to <br> the text. |
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Staff Voice teachers

Reading for pleasure is being promoted in all year grous with some children bringing books from home to read.
In some classes a reward of cokies and miklk is being used to encourage reading.
The lowest $20 \%$ of readers are focused on in each year group for extra 1:1 reading sessions.
Children enjoy a range of engaging books that link to the curriculum
Children are taught a variety of different ways to answer questions.
Teachers discuss lessons to ensure sharing of good practice.
Assessment is being carried out during lessons.
Children are encouraged to 9 verbalise learning in the reflectio9n section of the lesson.
Questiions link to content domains making assessment easier.


## Staff Voice T.A's

Fluency work in the lesson is working well and enjoyed by the children.
Model answers and talking tins support children's learning.
Children are enjoying reading more.
Logging comments on boom readers is helping in 1:1 reading sessions.
Parent's are engaged more as they are using boom readers to communicate.
We are confident to use the assessment folders and can get support when we need to.
The structure of 1:1 reading sessions helps with consistency.
The new way of teaching reading is more manageable.
Interventions on the time tabe so children are not missing lessons to attend them.
Adults rotate round the groups not just sit with the same children.


Pupil voice
Teachers help us to sound out unfamiliar words.
IF you make mistakes teacher's help you to break it down so you can get it right next time.
I use purple pen to edit my answers after the teacher has marked it.
They teach us fluency by showing us how to read so we don't sound like a robot.
I know I have done well because the steps to success are highlighted.
We look at model answers then use purple pens to correct any answers we need to.
I like the fluency lesson as it makes my reading come alive.
I like it when my teacher reads to the class.
Children could remember their favourite books that they have read throghout the year.
Vocabulary is the words we know .
We have to match the words to a picture. We look at interesting words that are used in the book.
I like paired reading because I can discuss the work with my partner. Answering the questions gives me a challenge.
I like fluency because we get to read and the whole class lilstenes.


## Phonics Intent

## Phonics

Due to some children arriving at Alexandra Park Junior School having not passed the phonics screening in Year 1 or 2, and the increasing numbers of International New Arrivals, it may be appropriate to deliver phonic support sessions every day for those children. Where necessary we deliver a personalised phonics programme using resources from the Ruth Miskin phonics scheme. Children are assessed every half term and will continue the scheme until they can access age appropriate texts.

All children who did not pass the phonics screening in year 1 or year 2 will be assessed using the Ruth Miskin phonics scheme and placed into groups of children with similar gaps in their learning.

## Phonics Implementation

Implementation.
Targeted children will have a 20 minute intervention of phonics at least 4 times a week delivered at 2.45 pm daily. These sessions will be delivered by a variety of teaching assistants across the age groups who will receive a personalised CPD programme on the Ruth Miskin portal to support their teaching. Children will be grouped homogenously across year groups to ensure they receive interventions targeted at their level and delivered by the most appropriate adult to support them.






## Books read in year 3.

## 3\%: Alexandra Park Junior School



The lopers of the Reniforeses Song
There are loyers in the forest, yes indeed There cre loyers in the forest, yes indeed Energent, conopy and the understory There are loyers in the forest, yes indeed

The forest floor is dim and dork and wel
The forest floor is dim and dark and wet
The ants go marching by os they watch the birds uph high
The forest floor is dim and dork and wet
The understor's home to mary snokes
The understory's home to many snokes
They eot cats and bats ond rots
and they like the gnats for snocks
The understory's home to many snokes.
The caropy is like a big unbrella
he caropy is like a big unbrel
Monkeys, slorts, orangutans
Eot ol the frit they con
The emergent's home to birds ond butterflies
The energent's home to birds ond butterflies The emergent's home to birds ond butterflies
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