

A close-up photograph of a young child with dark hair, looking intently through a magnifying glass at a small, vibrant green and red beetle on a grey stone surface. The child's face is partially visible, with their eyes focused on the insect. The background is softly blurred, showing green foliage. In the top right corner, there are faint navigation arrows: a left-pointing chevron and a right-pointing chevron.

**Welcome to the Cookridge
Primary School Family!**

Children are born with a natural curiosity and a desire to learn.

It is an eagerness to explore, discover and figure things out.

The more explorative a child is, the more they learn. Nurturing this curiosity is one of the most important ways we can help children to become life-long learners.



Our Vision

- Lifelong Learners
- Journey of Discovery
- Part to play in Society
- Future Society



Reception Staff

Deputy Headteacher



Mr Kerr

Teacher



Mr Verdi

Teacher



Mrs Andrews

Support Staff



Mrs Arnott



Mrs Bray



Ms Colefax

Safeguarding

Cookridge Primary School: Child Protection

The safety of children is our number 1 priority!

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all children, staff and visitors. In order to sustain high levels of safeguarding, visitors and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. If you are concerned about a child and would like to speak to someone please speak to a Designated Officer.



Who are the Child Protection Designated Officers?



Mrs Brosnan

Lead CPO - Family and Support Officer

CPO



Mr Kershaw
Assistant Headteacher

Lead CPO



Mrs Hunter
Headteacher

CPO



Mr Kerr
Deputy Headteacher

Reception Classes/Family groups

- Within the first three weeks the children will be allocated a family group. Groups will be decided based on friendships, preferred learning styles and need (*Parents will be informed when the groups are established*).

The children will then get to name their family group.

- Discreet teaching of phonics and maths will take place in these groups once good learning behaviours have been established.



Phonics



- It is important to note that the family groups will remain fluid according to the needs of the children, which means they may change around a little throughout the year. But please be reassured that if this happens parents will be informed of any changes.

Early Learning Goals

- Through out reception, staff will use the Cookridge Development Matters to help monitor children's development.
- By the end of Reception children will be assessed using the Early Learning Goals (ELGs)
- This document can be found under 'Useful Links' section on the 'New Starters – September 2024' Page on our website - <https://www.cookridgeprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/EYFS-development-matters-areas-of-learning-birth-to-reception-plus-elgs.pdf>



Exciting, real-life projects



Strong links with the community



Forest schools: outdoor investigation

We have the responsibility to give an education promoting lifelong learning combined with a thirst for knowledge, inclusion for all, knowledge and understanding of life and how to deal with its problems.



Motivating and inspirational



Transition to Reception

Optional Parent/Carer meeting

Meetings will take place at school with Mr Kerr on Wednesday 3rd July. This is a meeting for those parents who feel they need a more detailed discussion about their children. Please sign up on the parent form on the website to book a time slot that is convenient to you.

Stay and Play sessions

It is vital that your child is comfortable and happy in their new school environment. To help with this, we hold stay and play sessions where your child is gradually eased into school life. Stay-and-play sessions will take place on the 11th and 12th July.

Teddy Bears' Picnic Wednesday 10th July

We ask you to bring a picnic (snacks for your child/ren), and a teddy bear (or toy of your choice) and we will enjoy food, stories, games around the fire. It would be a good opportunity for your child to meet other children and for you to meet other parents.

Important information

- **Data collection document ‘Admissions Form’ - Step 3 – New Starters – September 2024’ Page on the Website . This form has all the information we need as a school to help safeguard your children.
Please fill it out carefully.**
- **Pupil Premium (Free School Meals) and Universal Free School Meals**

Transition

July 2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------|---------|---|--|--|
| 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | | Morning Teddy Bears' Picnic - 10:00 -11:00 (Everyone Welcome) | <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column;"> <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Stay and play RED and PURPLE group - 9:45-10:45 </div> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Stay and play GREEN and BLUE group - 13:15-14:15 </div> </div> | <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column;"> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Stay and play GREEN and BLUE group - 9:45-10:45 </div> <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Stay and play RED and PURPLE group - 13:15-14:15 </div> </div> |

September 2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 |
| School Training Day | 8:40 - 11:30 All children in School (children <u>do not</u> stay for lunch) | 8:40 - 11:30 All children in School (children <u>do not</u> stay for lunch) | 8:40 - 1:00 All children in School (children <u>stay</u> for lunch) | 8:40 - 1:00 All children in School (children <u>stay</u> for lunch) |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 8:40 - 3:20 All children in School (Children will stay for the whole day) | 8:40 - 3:20 (All children will be full time from now on) | 8:40 - 3:20 (All children will be full time from now on) | 8:40 - 3:20 (All children will be full time from now on) | 8:40 - 3:20 (All children will be full time from now on) |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 8:40 - 3:20 | 8:40 - 3:20 | 8:40 - 3:20 | 8:40 - 3:20 | 8:40 - 3:20 |

Lunchtimes

- We usually run a family service at Cookridge Primary School. This helps to develop friendships and promotes independence.
- We are a Healthy School and we encourage all children to enjoy the balanced meals that we provide.
- Universal Free school (Different from Free School Meals) meals are provided for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.
- If your child has specific dietary needs or requirements please confirm this by writing it down on the admissions form.

The menu can be found on the school website



Celebrating Success

We use an online profiling system called Tapestry. This programme allows you to access to your child's learning profile. In addition you can add your own observations of learning and experiences that take place outside of school.

To see your child's profile, you must provide us with the email addresses of everyone you'd like to access it. A form is available on our website that enables you to provide us with this information.

Over the course of the year we will aim to hold workshops directed at supporting parents with children's learning, for example, How to use Tapestry and Phonics, followed by Achieving the early learning goal in writing, later on in the year.



Beehive

(Before and After school club)

Before School Club is from 7.30am – 8.40am.

Breakfast is provided for all children within classrooms should they wish to partake.

After School: After School is from 3.20pm – 5.45pm.

•We will provide a snack at 4pm with a drink.

There will be activities at the After School Club such as art, craft, board games, ICT, play and (weather permitting) outdoor activities. We will also provide an area for reading and homework.

On the New Starters page there is a consultation on who would need before and after school provision. - **Step 8– New Starters – September 2024'**

Please follow the link to visit the Beehive webpage for more information.

<https://www.cookridgeprimary.co.uk/parents-and-carers/beehive/>

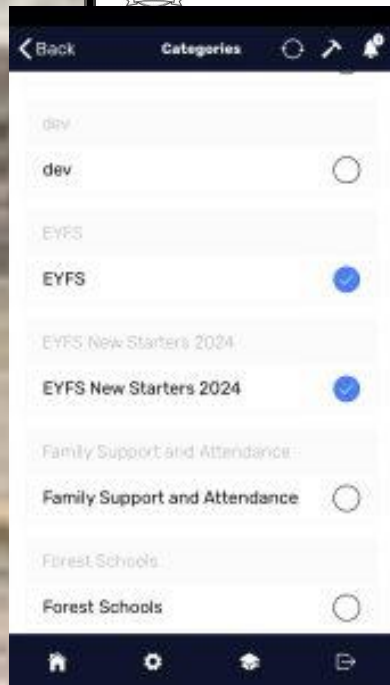


Please take a look at the schools website for lots more information and download the School App for notifications. **Step 7 – 'New Starters – September 2024' Page on the Website**

<https://www.cookridgeprimary.co.uk/>



HOME NEW STARTERS – SEPTEMBER 2024 ABOUT US PARENTS AND CARERS SUBJECT GUIDANCE CHILDREN STATUTORY



Latest news

Uniform

Important information

School policies

Weekly newsletter Curriculum

School Uniform

Please order your child's school uniform on the following website, a link can be found on the school website. Your child will be given a team point colour so you can order the correct colour PE kit to link with this. If you are unsure of your child's team point colour then please contact the school.

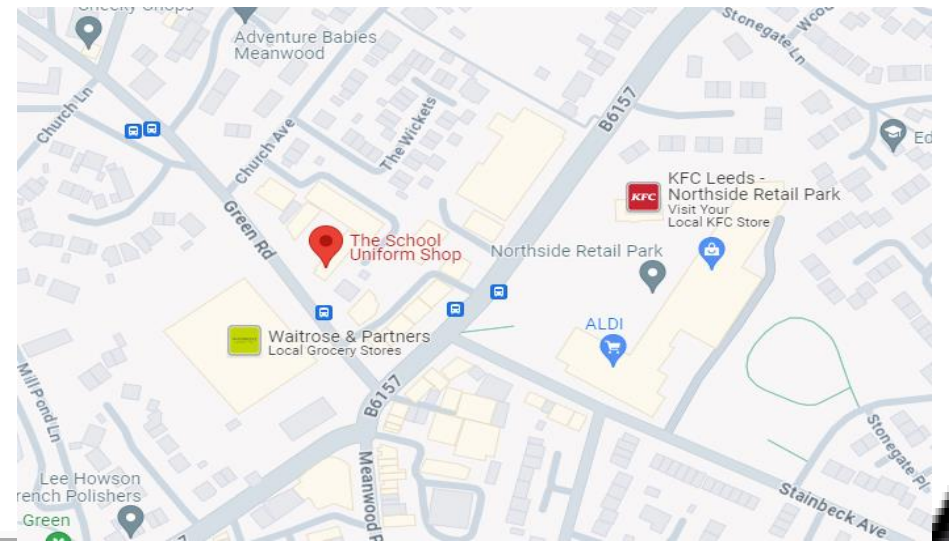
www.uniwears.co.uk



THE SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP
THE SCHOOLWEAR SPECIALISTS



<https://maps.app.goo.gl/37LKiyDvVYjYScd78>



What else do we need from you?

- 50/50 Partnership
- All uniform and clothing must have a name label (including shoes). (Up to 10mins)
- To ensure your child has good attendance and punctuality at school.
- To ensure your child is toilet trained, unless your child has an underlying medical need (You will need to speak to the school SENCO about this). (Up to 30mins)
- Please try and make sure your child can button up/zip up their own coat. (Up to 10mins)
- On Forest School days, please make sure you send your child into school with a pair of named Wellies in a separate bag. You will be given notice of when these days will be.
- The correct uniform – please check the website. Only the uniform outlined on the website is part of the official uniform. Your child's team point colour will indicate what colour PE kit they will need.
- Book bags – we use bags for providing reading books and for children's work. Please ensure your child has one.

The curly curly caterpillar



The zig-zag monster



The one-armed robot

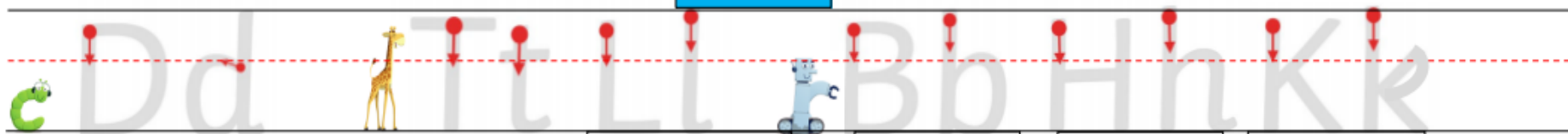


The long-legged giraffe



Tripod to Baby Shark song

Ascenders



Curly, curly caterpillar, up to the top and down

Long-legged giraffe and curl, up halfway for the hat

Long-legged giraffe and curl

One armed robot, down with the body up for the arm and around

One armed robot, down with the body up for the arm and over

One armed robot, down with the body up for the arm, around and down

Both

Descenders



Curly, curly caterpillar, up and down below the line for a monkey tail

Curly, curly caterpillar, up and down below the line for a flick

Long-legged giraffe below the line and curl, the other way, and dot

Long-legged giraffe and Long-legged giraffe down to a monkey tail

One armed robot, down with the body, below the line, up for the arm and around

Curly, curly caterpillar and down below the line for a monkey tail. Up halfway for the hat



Curly, curly caterpillar

Curly, curly caterpillar, up and down

Curly, curly caterpillar, all the way around

Up to Curly, curly caterpillar

Curly, curly caterpillar, and around

One armed robot, down with the body up for the arm

One armed robot, down with the body up for the arm and over

One armed robot, down with the body up for the arm, down with the body up for the arm



Long-legged giraffe and curl, up for the dot

Long-legged giraffe and Long-legged giraffe

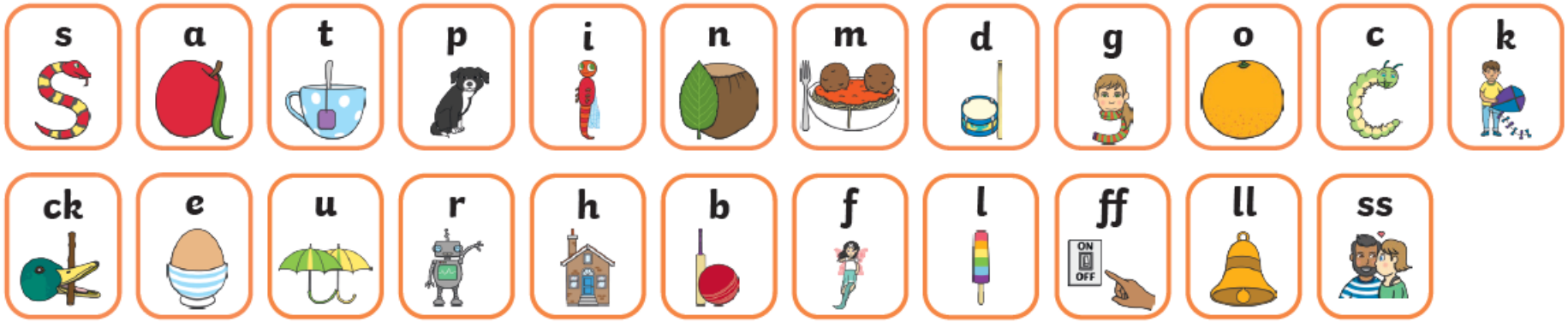
Zigzag - Monster

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Cross Zigzag - Monster

Zig - zag - Monster

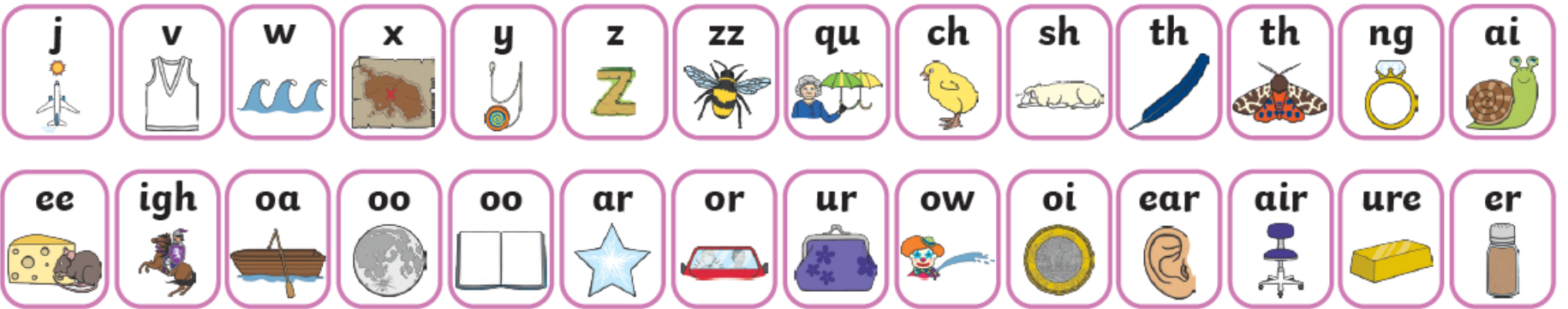
Level 2 Sounds



Example of how to say all of the sounds:

<https://www.cookridgeprimary.co.uk/homepage/statutory/curriculum-offer/english/>

Level 3 Sounds



More Resources

For more resources please see the subject guidance page:

Curriculum Offer:

<https://www.cookridgeprimary.co.uk/homepage/statutory/curriculum-offer/>

English – Phonics, Early Reading video, Early Writing video:

<https://www.cookridgeprimary.co.uk/homepage/statutory/curriculum-offer/english/>

Safeguarding

Social Media

Tapestry is a vital online tool that allows us to track your child's progress. You will receive posts with pictures of your child working alongside others. Please do not publish any picture on social media that you receive on Tapestry if it contains another child.

If you have any concerns with anything at all, come and speak to us as soon as possible. Often, matters can be quickly resolved by speaking to those that can instantly make a difference. We work very hard to do the best by our children and by you.

We're here!

The Reception team work hard to ensure our new children are supported and comfortable in their transition to Reception. We are also here to answer any questions or concerns that you may have:

Thank you.