

At the Heights, Burnley we work on phonics throughout the KS1-3 curriculum in line with the individual's needs.

We achieve progression for the students by following the following principles:

1. **Start with the basics:** Before beginning to read, children should be familiar with the sounds of each letter and how they blend together to form words. This can be achieved through the use of the Read, Write Inc. phonics program, which focuses on teaching children the sounds of each letter and how they can be blended together to form words.
2. **Build on the basics:** Once children have a good understanding of the sounds of each letter, it is important to build on this foundation by introducing them to more complex words and phrases. This can be achieved by using the Read, Write Inc phonics program to teach children how to blend sounds together to form more complex words, and then gradually introducing them to more challenging phrases.
3. **Practice, practice, practice:** The key to success when it comes to reading at key stage 1 is practice. Children should be given plenty of opportunities to practice their reading skills, both individually and in small groups. This can be achieved by using the Read, Write Inc phonics program to provide children with regular reading practice, as well as through the use of games and activities that encourage children to read and write.
4. **Use a variety of materials:** To keep children engaged and motivated, it is important to use a variety of reading materials. This can include books, comics, newspapers, and even websites. By using a variety of materials, children will be exposed to different styles of writing, which will help them to develop a broader range of reading skills.
5. **Encourage independent reading:** As children become more confident in their reading skills, it is important to encourage them to read independently. This can be achieved by providing children with books that are at their reading level and encouraging them to read on their own. This will not only build their confidence but also help them to develop their comprehension skills.
6. **Monitor progress:** Regularly assess children's reading progress and provide feedback to them. This will help to identify areas where they may need additional support and allow the teacher to adjust their teaching approach accordingly.
7. **Celebrate Success:** Reward and celebrate children's progress and success, this will help to keep them motivated and engaged in the learning process.