



Helping Your Reception Child to Read!

- Hands off!! Give your child the book; it's their job to read to you, so let them handle the book and turn the pages themselves
- Get your child to point under each word as he/she reads it.
- Encourage them to use the pictures - that's what they are there for!
- All reception children have words to learn in their book bags - get them out and get your child to find those words in their reading book.
- Help them use the first sound of a word e.g. 'c' in 'cat' to help work out words.
- Make it your fun; make it your special time together.
- Read to them - they love hearing stories and it helps them to hear how reading should sound.
- Children often make errors, but don't correct every mistake - only a couple at this age.
- Be patient and praise them: learning to read can be hard work and every genuine effort deserves a very big 'Well Done'!

And finally....

- Get help! If you are concerned about your child's reading, or need further advice, come and see us; we are genuinely happy to help!

