

# Phonics



## WHAT IS 'PHONICS'?

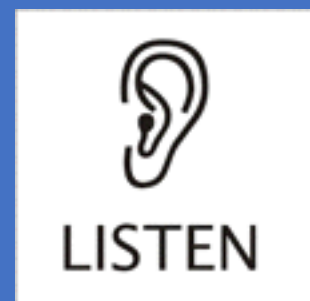
- Phonics is a method of teaching reading by matching sounds with letters or groups of letters.
- There is 24 consonant phonemes
- There are 20 vowel phonemes

## HOW DO WE TEACH IT?

- Through the 6 phases of phonics
- Warmley Park developmental order rather than jolly phonics order.
- 44 sounds in the English language (synthetic phonics)
- Initial Letter sounds only initially.
- Jolly Phonics actions to be used for letter SOUNDS
- Makaton finger spelling to be used for letter NAMES.
- Sounds, actions and visuals to be used together

## WHAT ARE THE 6 PHASES OF PHONICS?

- 1 – Phase 1 develops children's abilities to listen to, make, explore and talk about sounds through the 7 aspects
- 2 - links with the sounds to the visual representations.
- 3 – continue single sounds. Vowel digraphs (and trigraphs) and consonant digraphs.
- 4 - blending and segmenting
- 5 – different ways to make the same sounds already learnt
- 6 - reinforce knowledge and spellings. Prefixes, suffixes, doubling letters and dropping sounds.



Phonics are used as part of the Reading curriculum at Warmley Park