



EYFS Home Learning Policy

At Newlands Primary Academy, we believe that learning is a partnership between home and school. To support your child's early development and foster a lifelong love of learning, we encourage regular home learning activities.

Reading at Home

We ask that children read at least **five times a week** using the Boom Reader app. This regular reading practice helps to build confidence, fluency, and comprehension skills. Reading together also provides valuable opportunities for family engagement and discussion.

Phonics Practice

To support early literacy skills, children will be given phonics flashcards to practice at home. We encourage families to use these flashcards regularly to help children recognise letter sounds and develop the essential decoding skills needed for reading and writing. Flashcards will be provided to you to support this and you will receive notifications about the phonemes that are being taught in school to support you in knowing which sounds to focus on at home. This can be recorded on your Boom Reader app.

Why is this important?

- Regular reading broadens vocabulary and understanding.
- Consistent phonics practice builds the foundation for successful reading.
- Home learning strengthens the partnership between families and Newlands Primary Academy.

How can families help?

- Dedicate a quiet time each day for reading and phonics practice.
- Use the Boom Reader app to track your child's progress and celebrate their achievements.
- Encourage your child to sound out sounds / words using their phonics flashcards.
- Attend phonics workshops to develop consistency in language between home and school.
- Reach out to your child's teacher if you need any support or resources.

Thank you for working with us to support your child's early learning journey at Newlands Primary Academy.