

## Top Tips From The Reading Meeting That Parent's Liked.

Three phonemes

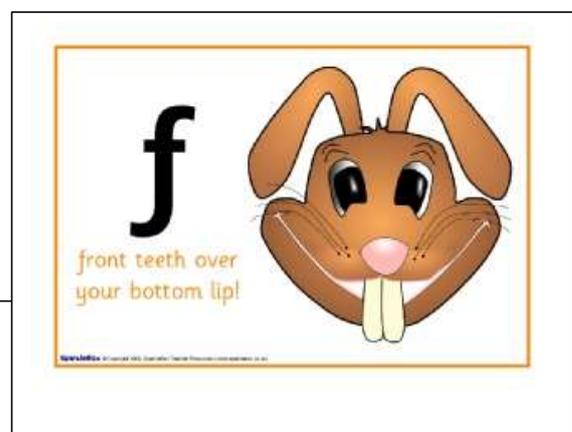
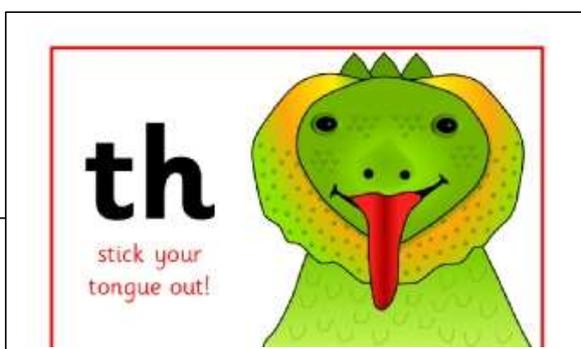
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- Don't call reading "homework".  
"Let's share a book, let's play a game". etc
- Do a small amount each night, 5 minutes is ample or more if you want.
- Keep going with good reading practice. See :

<http://www.wordsforlife.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/I-spy-a-picture-book.pdf>

- Remember to look at pronunciation. It is not b u, but bbbbbb ( a bouncing sound) or mmmmmm ,not mu ( a stretchy sound). Doing the actions for bouncing and stretchy sounds like at school will help.
- For those difficult ones such as ch, sh, and th. Remember the children need to use language such as graphemes and phonemes. There are two graphemes but they make one sound.
- Th and f make and interesting challenge. Children will often grow up saying free instead of three. Get out a mirror to show the children the shape of your mouth.

Look for shiny teeth for fffffff... flower.. and poke your tongue out for the cheeky one.... Th th th ree.



# Early Years Newsletter



Our doctor's surgery and vets role play has been a great way to capture the areas of learning, Health and Self Care as well as The World.

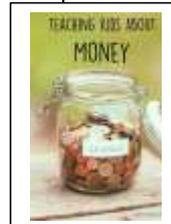
We are going to change the role play area to a Theatre. Our aim is to allow children to act out their songs, stories and experiences, and in particular, the Christmas Play.

In addition we will also be consolidating the experience of our school trip to Northern Stage,

Could we ask you to ensure that the plastic wallet in your child's book bag is reserved for our reading books and home school record only? It is also a good place to include any important information you send in such as letters as we see them when we change reading books. It gets difficult to locate information if book bags are cluttered. They are also hard to fit into our slim drawers. Thank you so much. It makes a big difference to the children.

This week we have been working with money. We are just beginning to recognise coins and think about their value. We have noticed many things, such as the different colours and sizes of coins. Not all large coins hold the most value. This weekend:

- *Try counting pennies or pounds into a jar.*
- *Swapping pennies for another coin, e.g 5 pennies for a five pence, 2 pennies for a 2p coin.*
- *Play shops and choose the right coins to use.*
- *Write price labels for your shop.*



We have done our own safe firework display this week outdoors with javelin rockets, balls with streamers, ribbons and coloured material with pom poms. As we performed we thought of the best adjectives to describe the sounds they would make and this helped us with our writing projects this week. *Try making your own firework picture at home and surrounding it with descriptive labels.*

These are all suggested ideas to support your child at home. Please do not feel that you have to **use all** of these ideas on a weekly basis.

**ZOOM!**

**WHOOOSH!**

