

Half term phonics fun!

We have been learning that some sounds can be spelt in more than one way. For example, we now know four spellings of the sound "ae" - play, train, break gate. We have also learnt different spellings for the sounds "ee" and "oe":

"ee" - greed, beat, be, funny

"oe" - boat, show, go, toe, bone (split "oe")

We also discovered that the spelling of "ea" can be two different sounds! It spells the "ae" sound in great and the "ee" sound in speak!

A selection of words containing the sounds we have learnt are on the following pages. **Please read through with your child over the week.** It's not designed to be a long task, maybe 10 minutes here and there when you can. You could make it fun with activities such as:

- How many words can you read in one minute? Can you beat your record? Make a note of your best score and bring it into school with you after half term!
- Cut the words up and challenge your child to sort the words into piles - either by sound or by spelling (i.e. all the "ae" sounds in one pile). Make sure the words are being read aloud before sorting!
- Choose two words and make up a really silly sentence. (The reading of these words is key, but these can be written down and brought into school too if you like).
- Play a memory game! Cut up the words and lay them face down. Turn over a word, read it and try and find another word with the same spelling (ie pray and stay). Always read the word out loud, even if it's not the one you're looking for!

break

tray

day

game

great

pail

low

bee

toe

show

go

blow

stray

cheap

strain

name

phone

grade

aim

crow

cave

boat

funny

bone

pain

goat

say

cake

float

home

oats

sleep

creep

feast

be

sunny

tummy

grow

no

hope