



Brookside Primary School

Overview of reading book bands linked to phonics phase

Phonics Phase	Book Colour Level	
Phase 1	Lilac Story telling	Light Pink Book skills
Phase 2	Dark Pink Blending simple words – alphabet sounds.	
Phase 3	Red qu, sh, ch, th, ng	
Phase 3	Yellow 1 ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, OO	
Phase 3	Yellow 2 oo, OO, ar, or, ur, er, ow, oi	
Phase 3	Yellow 3 ow, oi, ear, air, ure	
Phase 4	Blue Reading longer words with P2 + P3 graphemes	
Phase 5 – Block 1	Green 1 Common alternative graphemes	
Phase 5 – Block 2	Green 2 Alternative pronunciations	
Phase 5 – Block 3	Orange Less frequent graphemes	
Phase 6	Turquoise Less frequent graphemes	