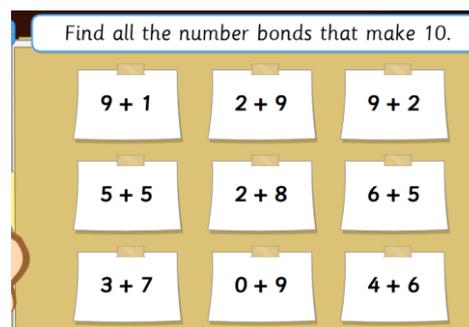
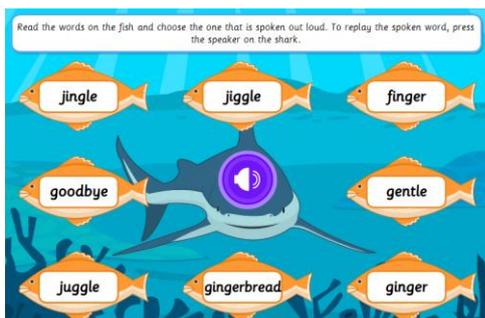


We hope you have enjoyed the free online trial of Education City and Phonics Bug.

The free trial has now finished. If you wish to carry on using these resources with your child/children there will be a cost of £7.50 for access for the rest of this academic year ie until the end of July '21. Please see below for the cost for families with more than one child.

The children use these resources regularly as part of their learning in school. Both companies have developed schemes allowing us to share the packages we buy for the school with families.

Education City is an excellent website which we use throughout the school. Each week the staff in the year group will select activities which directly link to the learning the children have completed that week.



There are activities and games on the site for most of the learning outcomes in Maths, Literacy and Science.

We suggest that children don't print the certificate until they achieve 100% as this inspires them to learn to challenge themselves.

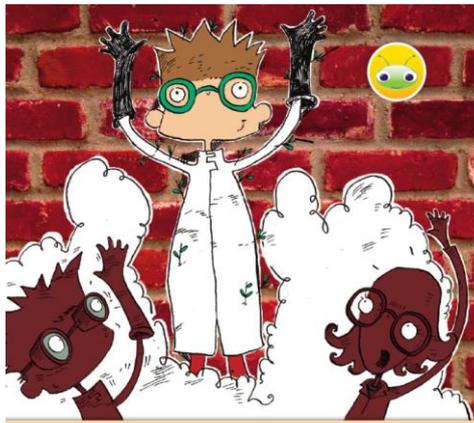
During the holidays, your child will be able to access all of the games on Education City that we subscribe to in school.

To access Education City as a parent if the school did not have this subscription would cost £89 a year, per child but they have now stopped offering this option.

Phonics Bug is an online resource which provides phonic activities for use in the classroom and e-books to access at home. The books are linked to the phonic learning at school and will also be allocated by staff on a regular basis.



The added advantage of the e-book is that it gives the children activities which develop comprehension skills and they build up points to claim virtual resources for e.g. a virtual tree house.



... up pops a Max twin!

After reading

Story comprehension

- What kind of person is Max? What kinds of things does he do?
- What things does Max put in his mix?
- What comes out of Max's box at the end? Do the children think that Max is surprised?

Picture detective

Ask children to find the object in the picture that contains the:

- air sound (page 2 – fog)
- /j sound (page 3 – jacket)

Remember to prompt and praise!

Follow up

Speedy reading

Return to the words on the front inside cover (sections 2 and 3) and check that the children can sound out and blend these words confidently. Ask them to practice blending them until they can read them quickly.

Segmenting for spelling

Practise this spelling routine using the words in section 2.

- Say the word in a sentence, then on its own and ask the children to repeat it.
- Children say the sounds all through the word (segment) and either write a dash or hold up a finger for each sound.
- Children select magnetic letters or write down the grapheme for each sound, saying the sound quietly as they do so.
- Model the spelling by saying each sound as you write the word for the children to see.
- Children give themselves a tick for each grapheme in the correct place.

Chapter 1

Hide and Seek



The Potter family and their pirate friend, Captain Kevin Kerfuffle, were enjoying their life at sea. They spent their days swinging and singing ...

sewing and yo-ho-ho-ing ...

sailing and bailing and playing.

One day they were playing Hide and Seek.

“Now it’s your turn to find us,” Lilly explained to Captain Kev. “We run and hide while you close your eyes and count out loud. Count one to ten.”

The Potter family rushed off to find hiding places. Captain Kev closed his eyes and counted.

1, 2, 1c!

Bug Club cannot be accessed as parents unless the school has a subscription.

In order to use Education City and Phonics Bug outside of school your child will need to be able to access the Internet. This could be at home, at a friend’s house or at the library, once restrictions have been lifted.

Please don’t worry if you do not have Internet access outside school, your child will still be able to use the materials in the classroom.

At school we use the Internet carefully and only let the children onto sites which we have pre-selected for them. There is a dedicated filtering system to prevent access to chat rooms and other unsuitable sites. We discuss staying safe on the Internet with the children regularly.

If you would like your child to be able to access the Education City and Phonics Bug s/he will need an ID and a password for each resource.

For a heavily subsidised cost of £7.50 your child will be able to access all the resources above for the rest of the school year.

For families with more than one child, the cost will be:

1 child £7.50

2 children £10.00

3 children £12.00

Please make this payment online using Parent Pay, using the log in details you received recently. This is a new system and you should have received the log in details for your child. If you experience any problems, please contact the school office.

Once you are logged in please select 'E-Learning', which is a one-off payment of £7.50. Once this payment has been made and processed, your child's log in details will be sent home in the home school communication book.

Thank you

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