Supporting your child to...



Tips for learning sight words

- Make it fun play a pairs or snap game
- Remember not all sight words can be sounded out
- Talk about what the word looks like
- Practice writing them
- Stick them around the house
- Spot them when shopping

Reading at Home

- Choose a quiet time and give your child your full attention
- Talk about book looking closely at the pictures, don't cover the picture up!
- Encourage your child to point at the words
- Explain the meaning of new words

- Give support if required using the strategies
- Use phonics first. What sound does the word begin with? Can you say other sounds in the word? Blend them together.
- Read to the end of the sentence. What would make sense? Does it sound right?
- Look at the picture. Does it help?

Talking about the book

- Talk about the text using open questions
- O Do you like this book; why?
- Who is your favourite character?
- Which words tell you about the character?
- O How would you feel?
- What do you think will happen next?
- What would you do?
- What have you learned about?
- What can you tell me about...?

