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Dear parents and carers,

Phonics is the first strategy we use to get children reading and regular practise helps develop both confidence and a love of reading. When we purchase our reading books, we look for ones that we know our pupils will enjoy and our Phonic Bug and Bug Club books have proved very popular.

We know that it isn't always easy to get your child reading at home so **we have a subscription to Phonics Bug online** which we hope will help you. This is an online resource packed full with eBooks that are 100% decodeable so that your child will be able to read them independently by applying their phonic skills. Each eBook has audio narration to help with pronunciation when your child is reading and includes tailored parent notes so you can be sure you are supporting your child in just the right way.

In addition to Phonics Bug, we also have a **subscription to Bug Club** to add extra breadth and challenge as pupils become more able readers. With recognisable popular characters and the same great artwork as the printed books in our home reading library, the eBooks are a great way to encourage even the most reluctant readers. Children who love reading at school often can't wait to get their reading books out at home but sometimes, with so many competing distractions, more hesitant readers need a little more encouragement. The Phonics Bug and Bug Club eBooks offer just that encouragement!

Your child has a unique homepage which you can access at www.activelearnprimary.co.uk. Please note that this works best in Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox web browsers.

Your child's login details are as follows:

- School ID: 67aa
- Username: *(the first 4 letters of your child's first name and the first 4 letters of your child's surname in lower case; for example: Joseph Bloggs would be joseblog)*
- Password: changeme

Reading a book online

We allocate books to your child according to their reading levels. These books will appear in the 'My Stuff' area of their personal homepages. Throughout the Bug Club books there are quiz questions for your child to complete. To answer a question, just click on the bug icon. Your child does not need to finish all the quiz questions in one sitting and can come back to a book later. When your child has finished all the quiz questions in a book, he or she will earn 'Active Learn Coins'. By reading more books, your child will earn enough coins to buy a reward in one of the many reward schemes. The answers to the quiz questions will be sent back to our teacher site so that we can see how your child is progressing.

We hope you find this resource helpful in supporting your children's reading and that your child enjoys the reading the eBooks. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or problems with access.

Happy reading!

