Phonics activities to do at home

- Use 'sound talk' in every day activities e.g. can you find your h-at? where is my b-a-g?
- Look out for words, letters and print in the world around you. What sounds can you see? Can you sound out/read any of the words?
- Play I spy. Try using sound talk for this too or rhyming e.g. I soy a c-a-t or something that rhymes with....
- Use a set of lower case latter cards or write some on post it notes and go round the house finding things that start with that sound. The children could make some for themselves and label things independently.
- Play phonics based board games e.g. sound match lotto or a rhyming snap
- model reading and writing as often as possible and encourage the children to 'help you' sound out or write some of the words.

- When reading ANY book with your child encourage them to 'help' you read some of the decidable words or recognise some 'tricky words'
- Create a phoneme mat with your child using photos or pictures of favourite things or family members e.g. have Granny for 'g' or Mummy for 'm'