

Bug Club

Tetsworth
Primary School



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What is Bug Club?

A reading program that the school will use to help teach reading

Carefully graded reading books and eBooks

Children access eBooks via a personalised website

A structured synthetic phonics program to help children to learn their sounds



Phonic Bug

The children will be taking part in syntenic phonics sessions everyday.

These range from 10-30 minutes depending on your child's age and time of the year.

The children learn a new sound a day and then have a chance to practice this sound in the eBooks at home.



Why are we using eBooks?

Children enjoy reading books on screen and completing the fun quizzes at the end of the eBook

The quiz questions help the children practice their reading skills

The eBooks are also audio books, so the children can enjoy hearing an expressive reading of the book

The books are used to consolidate the sounds that the children have been learning in their phonic sessions during the week.



Reading at home

We will be allocating up to 5 books for your child each week

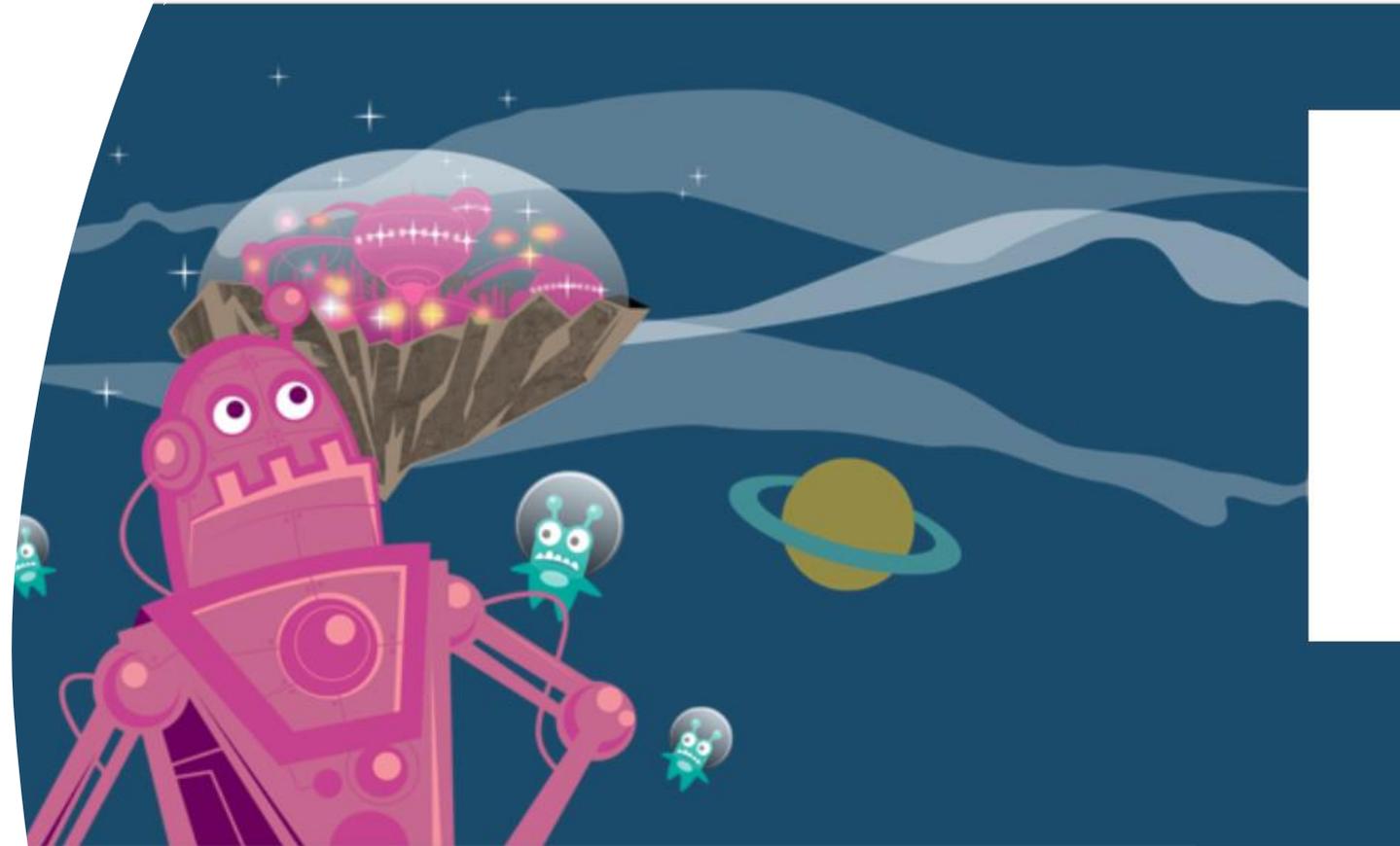
Your child will be able to read these books independently

We are using the phonic bug books during phonics sessions for shared reading. This is where we focus on teaching reading strategies that your child will use at home.



How to log in

- **Example login details**
- Username: **Emily22**
- Password: **sheep**
- School Code: **xxxx**
- ***Each child's login details will be different***



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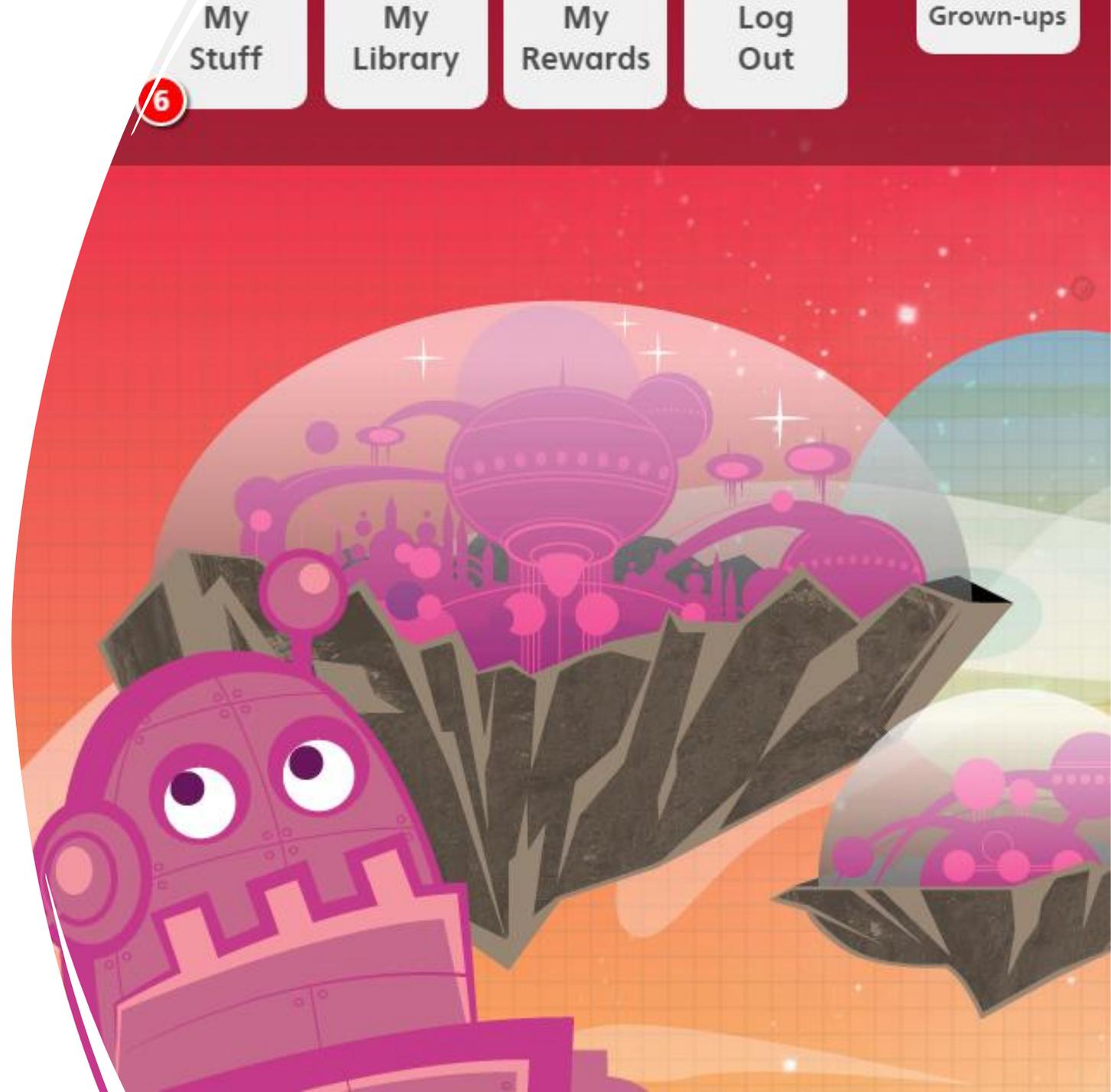


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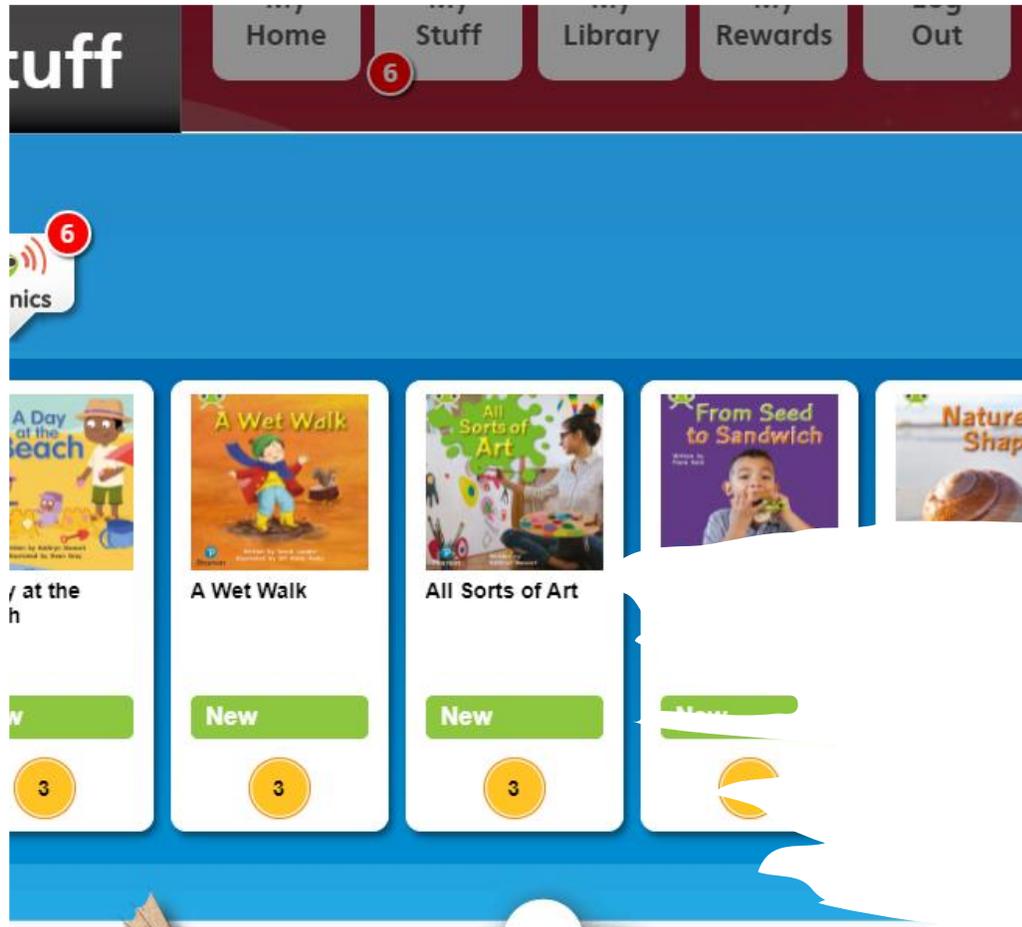
- To find the allocated reading books for that week click on 'My Stuff'
- At the front of the books there are suggestions on how to look at the books with your child.



When your child has finished an eBook, the eBook will move to 'My Library'

They can choose a new eBook from 'My Stuff'.

Re-reading books from the library will help to build your child's confidence with reading.



Reading an eBook

- Click on the book cover & see how many quiz questions there are
- Read the book and click on the bug icons to open the quiz questions
- Your child does not need to finish all quiz questions in one sitting. They can come back to a book later.

Before and during reading



1 Say the sounds

h b f ff l ll ss

2 Blend the sounds

bad	lad	Fin
mess	Cub	cab/in
lap/top	rob	bank
lock	off	bell
puff	his	cuffs

3 Read the tricky words

I in/to

Point out the tricky bit of the word (i.e. the 'o' in 'into' sounds /oo/) and then blend the rest.

Story comprehension

Ask the children to read the title. What is meant by 'a bad lad'? What kinds of things might a bad lad do?

Vocabulary check

Check that the children understand the meaning of the following words in the context of this story: cabin, rob, cuffs. Do they know what the 'Cub hut' is? If necessary, explain that it is a kind of club for children. Look at page 3 and check that the children understand the meaning of a 'cup' in this context.

Reading the story

- Listen to the children reading the story. Ask them to say the sounds and blend them in order to read words they do not recognise immediately.
- Point out that there are speech bubbles on pages 2 and 3. What does this show us? Remind the children to read the words in speech marks as expressively as they can to show how the character might speak. Do the same when they meet them again on pages 7 and 8.

Dots and dashes?
The dots show one sound made by one letter. The dashes show one sound made by two letters.

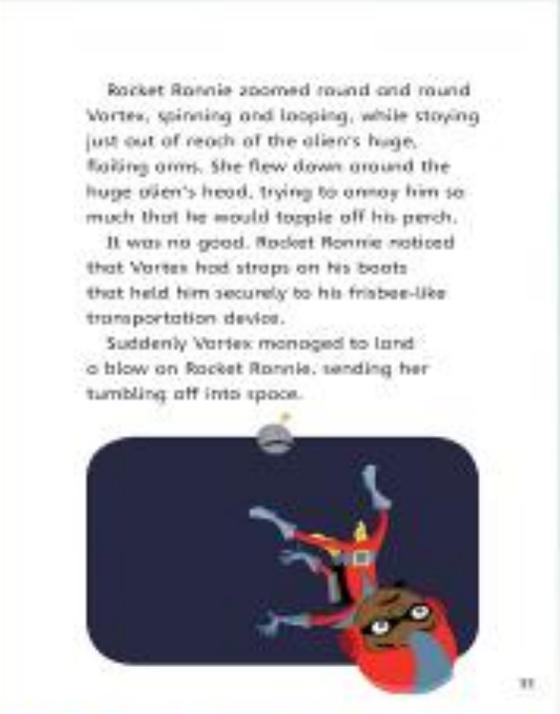




"I'm going to buzz around him, SID," Rocket Ronnie told her companion, "like a bee around a shopping dog. Hopefully, he'll lose his balance and fall off that frisbee thing."



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Rocket Ronnie zoomed round and round Vortex, spinning and looping, while staying just out of reach of the alien's huge, flailing arms. She flew down around the huge alien's head, trying to annoy him so much that he would topple off his perch.

It was no good. Rocket Ronnie noticed that Vortex had straps on his boots that held him securely to his frisbee-like transportation device.

Suddenly Vortex managed to land a blow on Rocket Ronnie, sending her tumbling off into space.



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Controls: Convert, 20/23 of 48, Back, Forward, Stop

Coins and rewards

- When they have finished all quiz questions in an eBook, children will earn Coins.
- When they have read a few eBooks, they will have earned enough coins to gain a reward.
- They can 'spend' their coins on an online game or items for their chosen 'world'



Helpful hints

Grown-ups' Area

Welcome to our Grown-ups' Area. This is a new area we're developing to give you everything you need to support your child's learning.

Reading

Have a look through the links below to find out more around how Bug Club can help your child to learn to read.

- [Getting the most out of Bug Club](#)
- [How children learn to read](#)
- [Reading at home](#)