



Ripley Infant School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have subscribed this year to Big Cat Collins books which you can access from home for free until we start sending reading books home again.

There are books ranging from Pink level all the way up to Lime and some of the books have a worksheet to help support your child with their comprehension and understanding.

In school, we have arranged all books into different phonics phases to ensure children are reading books at their current phonics ability. We have categorised them into each phase and phase 2, 3 and 4 each have their own challenge book as we want to encourage children to be challenged and to use the text to help them work out what a particular word says.

As your child learns more phonics sounds and develops more confidence, they will be moved onto the next set of phonics books when they are ready. We want to encourage children to reread for meaning and fluency so please be patient if they have stayed on a particular phase for a while.

The online books are what we now call 'challenge' books in school and your child's teacher will send home soon what colour book band your child should be reading at home. Your child will continue to read the phonics books in school to an adult weekly so reading at home will further help your child's confidence and understanding.

How to access online books?

To access the range of online books you will need to type the following link into your web browser.

<https://connect.collins.co.uk/school/defaultlogin.aspx>

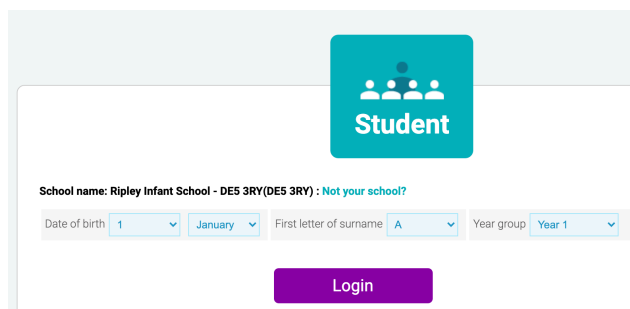
Find your School

Start typing your school name or postcode and select to go to your login page.

School



You will then need to select our school and enter the first letter of the last name (A), day and month of birth (1/1) and year group (1).

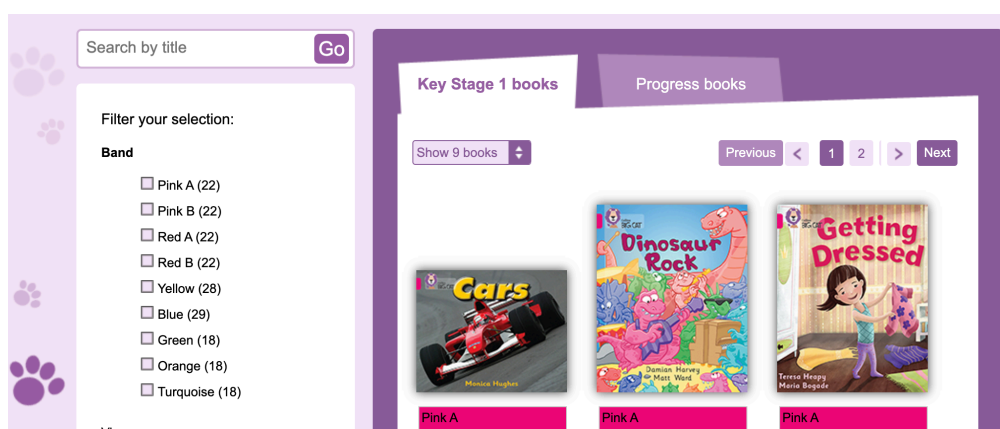


Class Name: RipleyInf
Pupil First Name: Pupil
Pupil Last Name: Access
DOB: 01/01/2001
Year Group: 1



Then click on Collins Big Cat.

It will bring up the following page where you can select a book suitable for your child.



We look forward to hearing about what books your child has read at home through tapestry and weekly logs.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

Miss Boddy

