ORANGE

Once children recognise 250 high frequency words they progress to Orange, which introduces new words and reinforces those already encountered. Orange books will have an increased number of words on each page.

PUPIL TARGETS

- Read longer sentences that use 'because', 'if' and 'so'
- Read three syllable words out loud
- Use punctuation correctly when reading aloud
- Split a story up into sections and talk about the beginning, middle and end
- Don't rely on pictures to understand what is happening in a story $\hfill\$ Know what fact, fiction and non-fiction means

How to support your child with Orange level books

Your child is now beginning to read with more independence. They should be feeling more confident and will rarely need to sound out words. You can help them by:

- Listening to them when they read aloud. If they make mistakes, but they keep the sense of the text, don't interrupt. You can revisit that page at the end of the session to check certain words.
- Reminding them of useful strategies if they can't read a word, for example sounding the word out under their breath, dividing a longer word into syllables, or looking at the word without an -ing or an -ed ending
- Not allowing them to spend too long trying to work out a word because they may lose the meaning of what they are reading. Tell them what it says and revisit the word once you have completed the book.
- Encouraging some use of expression, especially for character-speech in fiction books. You may wish to model reading some pages aloud for your child to copy.
- Talking about how characters are feeling.