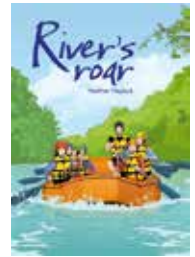




Dear Parents/Caregivers

This year your child will be reading **Sunshine's Reading Road** books as part of their literacy programme. These 50 books are fully decodable and are aimed at helping older students consolidate their phonic knowledge through reading age-appropriate texts. The books are supported by a digital programme, the **Reading Road AI Tutor**, which gives them independent practice in reading fluently and provides a phonics check on certain focus words.



After explicit teaching to support your child in reading a book at school, your child will log on to the AI Tutor, and complete the related activities.

This may be assigned as homework for your child. If it is, here's what they need to do:

On a computer:

Go to: www.sunshineonline.co.nz Click on **STUDENT LOGIN**.
Enter the username and password given below.

On a phone or tablet:

Download the **Sunshine Online** app to your device from the App Store or Google Play. Click on the app. Enter the username and password given below.



Your child's access details are:

USERNAME: _____

PASSWORD: _____

The **Reading Road AI Tutor** is designed to empower students to take charge of consolidating their reading skills, by listening to them read, evaluating the results, selecting words to practise and giving them a score - all at their own pace, in a no-stress environment. The Reading Road AI Tutor is a self-contained learning tool with no access to generative AI.



On the next page we give an overview of the activities in the Reading Road AI Tutor. If you have any questions about the programme, please contact your child's teacher.

STEP 1 - Your child reads a book from the Reading Road series at a level appropriate to their phonics knowledge and reading skill. The teacher will then assign the book to your child in the Reading Road AI Tutor.



STEP 2 - Your child logs on to the Reading Road AI Tutor, and selects the book assigned to them. The activities in the AI Tutor build on the knowledge gained from reading the book.



STEP 3 - They record themselves reading a passage given from the text.



STEP 4 - The AI Tutor gives them a score for reading accuracy out of five stars. They can record themselves again to improve their score if they wish.



STEP 5 - The AI Tutor analyses 10 pre-determined focus words to check if they were read correctly. These words are listed. Your child has the opportunity to re-read the words.



Once your child has completed the activities, your child's teacher can view their data and listen to the recordings to determine if there are any gaps in knowledge and skills that need to be addressed. Your child can redo the activities at any time if they wish.