Order of teaching sounds

In Read Write Inc phonics the individual sounds are called 'speed sounds' – because we want your child to read them effortlessly. Set 1 sounds are the initial letter sounds. They are taught in the following order.

m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g, o, c, k, u, b, f, e, l, h, sh, r, j, v, y, w, th, z, ch, qu, x, ng, nk

There are 12 Set 2 'speed sounds' that are made up of two or three letters which represent just one sound, e.g. ay as in play, ee as in tree and igh as in high.

When children learn their Set 2 sounds they will learn:

- the letters that represent a speed sound e.g. ay
- a simple picture prompt linked to the 'speed sound' and a short phrase to say e.g. may I play

Every speed sound has a list of green words linked to it, so your child can 'sound out' and 'sound blend' words containing the new speed sound they have just learnt, for example s-p-r-ay = spray.

When learning their Set 3 speed sounds they will be taught that there are more ways in which the same sounds are written, e.g. ee as in tree and ea as in tea.

The table below shows the sound, the associated phrase and example green words.

Vowel sound	Set 2 Speed Sound Rhyme	Green words
ay	ay: may I play	day play say may tray today
ee	ee: what can you see?	seen need sleep feel three green
igh	igh: fly high	might light sight night fright
ow	ow: blow the snow	snow flow know show blow
00	oo: poo at the zoo	mood fool pool stool moon spoon
00	oo: look at a book	took shook cook foot
ar	ar: start the car	bar park smart sharp car spark
or	or: shut the door	sort short worn horse sport fork

air	air: that's not fair	fair stair hair lair chair
ir	ir: whirl and twirl	girl third whirl twirl dirt
ou	ou: shout it out	mouth round found loud shout
oy	oy: toy for a boy	toy boy enjoy
	Set 3 Speed Sound Rhyme	
а-е	a-e: make a cake	shake name same save brave late
ea	ea: cup of tea	neat real clean please dream
i-e	i-e: nice smile	hide shine white nice wide like
о-е	o-e: phone home	hope home rose spoke note those
u-e	u-e: huge brute	tune rude use June excuse
aw	aw: yawn at dawn	saw raw law straw dawn crawl
are	are: care and share	bare bare spare scare flare square
ur	ur: nurse with a purse	burn turn hurl burp slurp lurk
ow	ow: brown cow	howl down brown drown gown
oi	oi: spoil the boy	join coin voice choice noise
ai	ai: snail in the rain	paint train rain plain strain
е	e: he me she we	he me she we he
oa	oa: goat in a boat	toad road oak loaf throat toast
ew	ew: chew the stew	new knew flew blew crew newt
er	er: better letter	over never weather hamster after
ire	ire: fire fire	spire bonfire inspire conspire hire
ear	oar: hear with your ear	fear dear gear spear year
ure	ure: sure it's pure	picture mixture adventure pure

Click the link below to hear how to pronounce the sounds correctly.

http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/