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Dear Parent/ Carer

Reading Strategy

The ability to effectively read is fundamental to success both academically and personally. Reading is needed to master all subjects and therefore is the most important skill we teach. The link between reading and attainment is profound.

The reading strategy we employ in all our primary schools has the following features –

- The teaching of synthetic phonics using Ruth Miskin's Read Write Inc programme.
- Reading for Pleasure (the texts we want to read for a reason).
- Reading for Purpose (the texts we have to read for a reason).
- Reading for Productivity (a combination of the above to support pupils' skills and knowledge development).

Reading at home

We are delighted to offer electronic books as part of our phonics programme. Your child will receive a log on for the electronic books if your child accesses Read, Write, Inc phonics. Your child will be able to log in and read the book that they have read with their phonics teacher. Your child will receive a new eBook at least once a week. If you are cannot access the internet at home, please speak to your Class Teacher for further help. Watch this space for children who have completed phonics as Accelerated Reader electronic books will be implemented in the near future.

All children are sent home books to read. These books match the phonics group they are currently in. If a child is in the green phonics group, they will be sent home a green levelled book. This is to ensure the sounds we teach in phonics matches the sounds you practise at home. If your child brings a book home that they have already had, this is to consolidate learning and ensure your child is confident with their accuracy, fluency and comprehension.

Please ensure the child's reading record and book is brought to school every day as a child can be read to at any time during the week. We encourage children to read or be read to 4/5 times a week at home. This can be their reading book, a story read to the children at bedtime, a magazine from the shop or reading on a kindle. Every time your child reads, please ensure they write or it is written in their reading records.

When reading to the children, as well as reading the words, there are some questions at the back of the book bag books to ask your children. We need to ensure the children read and understand what they have read.

Staff check reading records at the end of the week to see how many times each child has read. If they have read 4/5 times during the week. They are placed into a weekly prize draw where they could win a book of their choice from the reading vending machine. This is their book to take home.

We would like to thank you for the support families are already giving children. The amount of reading the children are doing at home is overwhelming and it reflects in their work at school.

Yours sincerely



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