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READING AT HOME

It would be fantastic if your child could read every day at home but we do understand that they are busy people and don't always have the time.

Please encourage your child to read as much as possible, when possible.

Your child can choose <u>any type of book</u> that interests them such as a story, an information book, a comic strip or even a magazine.

It could be a school book, an own book or a local library book.

By the time they are in Year 3 and 4, children can read to themselves and do not need to read out loud to an adult. The best and most likely time for reading would be before bed time.

If your child is reluctant to read by themselves, please do not worry!

Just continue to share stories/books of interest, with you reading aloud.

This will increase your child's enjoyment of books and eventually motivate them to read for themselves.

At school on a daily basis, in every subject, your child practises their reading skills. This is evident in their ability to communicate their understanding orally and their completion of writing activities.

READING AT HOME MUST BE FOR ENJOYMENT

CHANGING BOOKS

In Class 2, children are expected to <u>take responsibility</u> for changing their reading books on a regular basis.

This should happen when they arrive at school in the morning.

They should record the <u>date and title</u> of the book.

If they are reading a book from home or a local library, we would like it to be entered in the reading record.

If children are reading a chapter book, they should keep record of the pages they have read each day.

When they have finished their book, they must bring it back (if a school book) and change it for another that interests them. School library books will be changed on Thursdays.

Both Mrs Long and Mrs Steele will check reading records regularly to ensure children are changing their books.

Please help us to maintain good practice by checking that your child is changing their book and if you have time either sign or write a comment in their reading record, even if it is to say they have finished the book.

Many thanks for your assistance and if you require further information please come and ask us.

Mrs Long

*PLEASE NOTE - SPELLINGS WILL BE GIVEN OUT WITH HOMEWORK ON A THURSDAY TO ALLOW CHILDREN MORE TIME TO LEARN THEM FOR A SPELL CHECK ON THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY.

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