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Expectations for reading at home

Dear Parents/carers,

As a school, we have noticed that the levels of reading at home have dramatically changed over the past two years. This has had a significant impact on the children's reading fluency, but also their confidence in the classroom in all subjects. This is because reading underpins all other areas of the curriculum, even maths. Ideally, it is beneficial for the children to read at home **daily**. Those children who are reading at home, make significantly more progress in all areas of the curriculum in school.

With this in mind, as a school, we feel that we need to make the expectation of all children to read at home on a **daily** basis to increase their confidence and fluency throughout the curriculum. This can be the school book, which for Year R, can also include the adult modelling reading the book first. The children should read the same book at least three times in Year R and 1 before changing it to ensure fluency. As children progress to Year 2 and if they are reading independently, the children can also write in their own reading records. We will shortly be sending out a video link with various examples of how to help your children with segmenting and blending at home. An additional phonics presentation will take place in the Spring Term.

We would like to thank you in advance for your support in this area and look forward to seeing the progress your children will make in all areas as they begin to read more often.

Kind Regards,

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Helen Arkell
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