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Dear Parents/Carers of **Year 2** children,

Your child will be bringing home their reading books in their book bag today! The end of this letter will tell you which day will be their book change day.

Each child will have:

- A reading scheme book, which supports our teaching of phonics and key words.
- A library book to share with you and foster a love of reading and books.

In addition, your child's class teacher will also upload another reading scheme book each week on **Active Learn - Bug Club**. This means they will have a physical book and an e-book to share. The log in details for this will be in the back of their home reading record book.

Children in Year 2 will continue to work through our phonics scheme books until they are secure in their phonics knowledge. Once children are secure in their phonics knowledge, they will progress onto a nationally recognised book band system, with books matched closely to their individual reading ability. These books are grouped within a coloured stage. Within each coloured stage, there is a wide range of books that children work through before moving onto the next colour band.

Home Reading Book

Your child will also be bringing home a home reading record book, to log their home reading across the week. Please, support your child in completing this each day that they read. You may wish to comment on how your child has got on with their reading book, how fluently they read, if they were able to answer questions or discuss the book. **Your child's class teacher will use the comments boxes at the bottom of the page to inform you of their reading in class.** The home reading book has a reward system built into it, which the children can earn prizes and progress throughout the year.

How the reward system works:

Please record the days of the week your child has read and how many pages. **If they read more than once in a day, they should include it in the same box.**

You can record anything your child reads in this diary (library books, schoolbooks, e-books).

Try not to leave any boxes empty for missing days and just move onto the next box when your child reads again.

After each 25 days of reading, they will receive their reward and have their certificate signed. Your child will then continue to read on to the next reward and so on.

Reading Reward system

25 - Reading Star sticker
50 - Reading Star Wristband
75 - Star Reader Sticker
100 - Reading Star Pencil
125 - Excellent Gold sticker
150 - Reward wristband
175 - Star Reader badge
200 - Star Reader pencil
225 - Star Reader certificate
250 - Reading Star badge
275 - A reading book!

Your child will change their reading book on:



Reading With Your Child

Aim for 10-15 minutes daily reading practice to help your child **gain confidence** as a reader and **develop reading fluency**.

Young readers become better readers by listening to good readers read and by reading themselves. You may choose to:

Read to your child.

Read with your child (alternate who reads)

Listen to your child read.

Always be sure to **question** your child **before, during and after** reading to better judge if they understand what they are reading which is crucial to developing as a reader.

Please note the cost of replacement items:

Diary £3.00

Reading Book £4.00

Folder £1.75