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Reading at home

Dear Parent/Carers,

Reading is an important skill for children to learn and they do this at school through Phonics. We follow a scheme called 'Floppy Phonics'. For children to do their best we ask for your support by reading at home at least **3 times a week**. The following information will help:

1. Children will be bringing home 2 books. One book will be fully decodable and match the code (sounds) we have been learning in class. Your child should be able to read this using their phonic skills with some independence. The other book is a 'reading for pleasure' book and is what your child has chosen to read with you, but they may not be able to read it themselves.
2. It is an important part of the curriculum that children re-read books to develop their fluency, pace and comprehension. Therefore, books will now only be changed on a **Tuesday** and a **Friday**. You are welcome to continue reading other books or materials with your child and record these in their reading logs.
3. To further support your child with their phonics, they will be bringing home a phonic journal. This will have the code (sounds) that they have been learning in school with an activity sheet to practise at home. It is important this is returned to school so it can be kept up to date.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Leaver
Reading Co-ordinator



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