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### Reading

Dear Parents,

I will be sending home a reading book with your child every Friday, please keep this book at home all week and then make sure it is returned the following Friday. I will then leave the book for the weekend so that on Monday we can use them to read in class.

During this time we are only able to send one book home a week. Please read the book that comes home more than once, it is a year one and year two key curriculum skill to re-read books in order to build fluency and comprehension.

Children should be reading a text at a relatively fluent level so that they can understand the text. I like there to be some challenge so they can practise decoding skills, but if you find they are really struggling please let me know. Equally as they become more confident readers, decoding will become automatic and we will move onto deeper comprehension based skills.

With regard to reading records, please can you email the class email address with any questions or queries you might have about reading. Otherwise, for now you do not need to record reading but please aim to read at home at least 3 times a week.

I am also sending home a list of tricky words to practise reading and spelling. I will send some focus ones on a book mark to keep at home as well as the whole list for your information. Please read them regularly and look out for them in texts. I have also enclosed some information about asking questions about the books your child is reading.

We will read with your child regularly in class through lots of different way including:

- Phonics
- 1:1 reading
- Group reading sessions
- Whole class reading sessions

Thank you for all you do at home, I always knew it made a huge difference but this has been further confirmed following lockdown and seeing the wonderful progress your children made at home with your support.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Gardiner