



Tuesday 24th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Home Reading

Today your child is bringing home a reading book to share with you at home. The children are very excited and looking forward to beginning their reading journey.

Your child will have the opportunity to change their reading book on a **Tuesday** and **Friday** each week. There will be a box in the classroom for your child to place their finished book and Reading Record ready to be changed on a Tuesday and Friday **morning**. Your child will only be issued with a new book when their previous book is returned. Please look after and return all books as we have a limited supply.

You will notice that your child's books this half term do not contain any words. This is in line with how we teach our Phonics in school. When we feel your child is ready then we will begin to send home books with words. If you would like some support with how to help your child with reading a book with no words then please do ask. You will also find inside the front and back covers of each book helpful tips and questions for you to use.

Your child should read their book 3 times with you (over 3 days) before they are ready to change for a new one. This will enable your child to become more confident with the book each time they read it. Your child will need lots of support and guidance from you when reading and lots of praise and encouragement for their efforts.

Please spend around 10 minutes each day sharing your child's reading book. Make it a special time for you to enjoy together.

Once your child has read their book, please enter the date, title of the book and any comments in your child's Reading Record. We love to read your comments and find out about how your child is getting on at home with their reading. Please also remember you can upload photos or WOW moments about your child's reading to their Tapestry page. Again we will enjoy reading these.

In addition to reading your child's bookbag book, please take time to enjoy picture books at home as often as you can. Model reading for your child using lots of expression as they will then copy this when reading their own books. We have included a helpful guide with top tips for sharing books at home with your child with this letter.

If you have any questions about your child's reading then please do not hesitate to come and speak with us at any time.

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We look forward to sharing in this exciting time with you and your child as they begin reading.

With best wishes,

Mrs Stone & Mrs Harvey

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