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CofE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Reading is a fundamental skill and the teaching of reading in school takes many forms. Children in EYFS and KS1 undertake 20 minutes of high quality phonics learning daily and all children undertake shared reading in class, whole class reading comprehension tasks in English lessons, reading tasks across the curriculum and individual reading to an adult, in partnership with home, using the school reading scheme. Any child who finds the acquisition of reading skills tricky is supported through additional support and, in some cases, intervention.

Parent's role in the teaching of reading remains paramount to their child's progress and this is highly valued by the school. We are now in a position to increase the frequency for changing books to twice weekly:

For **Y1** this is on a **Monday and Thursday**.

For **Y2** this is on a **Tuesday and Friday**.

If your child finishes their books before their change day, please do supplement their reading with books and magazines from home. For those reading below Orange box, please also continue to use your child's Bug Club Login to access a range of phonics books.

As I am sure you can appreciate, the task of changing 30 children's books in addition to teaching responsibilities is a large one. Therefore, we are reliant on parental support with this task. If you, or another family member, were able to commit to supporting with this please do contact the school office for a DBS form or, if you already have one of these, to offer your help.

Within school children have regular opportunities to read to an adult and we strive to effectively meet the needs of all children and retain the balance of time given to different reading activities across the curriculum. Teachers consider every child's individual need when deciding how often they are heard read in school and adapt their planning accordingly. Children will read a minimum of fortnightly to their class teacher.

We ask that all children read daily to an adult at home.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Davis
English Coordinator