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Dear Parents and Carers,

Reading

It is really important that children are able to read regularly and continue to read books at school and at home. Reading is a key factor as we continue with our recovery curriculum. All classes will also have a high quality text that they will read together as a class reader.

Our younger children need to apply their phonics skills to reading books to enable them to improve their reading. More information can be found here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UCI2mu7URBc>

Reading is essential for wider curriculum success. Developing a love of reading and supporting the habit of reading is key, both to lifelong learning and ultimately for children's life outcomes.

Reading Books

Read, Write Inc (RWI) black and white reading books, linked directly to the sounds your child has learned in their lessons, will be sent home regularly. Depending on the RWI group your child is in, these books might be changed every three days or every five days by your child's RWI teacher. RWI E-books will also be set regularly on Oxford Owl. <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> These are books that your child will have just read in school and maybe some they have read before, for extra practice. Please don't worry that the books are too easy. Children enjoy re-reading stories they know well. Their speed and understanding improves on every read.

Your child will also bring home a library book. This is a book for you to read together, enjoy and discuss. We do not expect your child to read this book by themselves. This book will be changed, in class, weekly.

When your child has finished the Read, Write Inc Programme, they will move to book band books and free readers. Here, your child will continue to read a variety of texts and develop their fluency, vocabulary and comprehension skills.

Please can your child bring their book bag to school daily.

If you have any books or reading records from last year can you please return them to school ASAP.

Thank you for your continued support