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Dear Parents and Carers,

Reading Records

We would like to say thank you for all the time and effort you put into hearing your child read. Reading is an essential skill that enables children to access all other areas of learning, but more importantly allows children to relax and spend time enjoying all the different characters, themes, storylines and information books can give.

In order to gather evidence about children's reading capabilities, all adults working within the school fill in a reading record sheet that is kept in the classroom. It is not always necessary for adults in school to write copious notes in the reading record book. The reading record book is a facility for you and your child to keep track of page numbers and work together to ask and answer questions about their current book. We appreciate your comments and always look at them to guide our own understanding of your child's reading comprehension. As a school, we will use the reading record book in a variety of ways:

EYFS: Parents should use the reading record book to note down anything about reading as well as using it to communicate with the adults in school. Staff will also use the book to inform parents of reading capabilities, ways to ask questions, ways to record answers plus any other issues from the day.

KS1: Parents should use the reading record book to note down any responses to questions that have been asked about the text. Staff will put in stickers guiding you as to what types of questions you can ask your child about their book when they have heard your child read individually.

KS2: Parents should use the reading record book to note down responses to questions that have been asked about the text. Some children will start to write their own thoughts and opinions on characters, storyline and setting; most children will make a note of the page number they have read to. Staff will indicate if your child has read individually at school by dating and signing.

We aim to hear children read individually as much as possible, so we really appreciate the time and effort that you put in to hearing your child read at home.

Please keep an eye out for the reading bookmarks which have a set of question stems as well as some recommended reads. These will be coming out within the next few days.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Liz Blakeley (Reading Lead)

