READING



We have recently reviewed the e-book usage to see which children are accessing them at home. We have decided to spend a significant amount of money to purchase a full set of reading practice books so that your child can bring home a physical copy of the book they have read at school. We are hoping to roll this out in the next 2 weeks.

We rely heavily on these books being brought back to school as if they are not returned it will have a knock on effect on other children reading the book the following week.

If you do not return the book you will be <u>charged</u> as we REALLY need all copies of the books to enable this system to work effectively.

If you do not return the book on the given day the class teacher will remind you of the title you have at home and if it is still not returned you will not receive a new book the following week. Your child will then have to use e-books for future reading.

We really appreciate your support on this matter and hope you will join us in trying to make a positive difference to children's reading. We truly believe that the best way to learn to read is by reading an actual book! Please help us make this happen.

Thank you,

Miss Golightly

Further Information

Supporting your child with reading

Although your child will be taught to read at school, you can have a huge impact on their reading journey by continuing their practice at home.

There are two types of reading book that your child may bring home:

A reading practice book. This will be at the correct phonic stage for your child. They should be able to read this fluently and independently.

A reading for pleasure book. Your child will not be able to read this on their own. This book is for you both to read and enjoy together.

Reading practice book

This book has been carefully matched to your child's current reading level. If your child is reading it with little help, please don't worry that it's too easy – your child needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading.

Listen to them read the book. Remember to give them lots of praise – celebrate their success! If they can't read a word, read it to them. After they have finished, talk about the book together.

Sharing book

In order to encourage your child to become a lifelong reader, it is important that they learn to read for pleasure. The sharing book is a book they have chosen for you to enjoy together.

Please remember that you shouldn't expect your child to read this alone. Read it to or with them. Discuss the pictures, enjoy the story, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters, explore the facts in a non-fiction book. The main thing is that you have fun!

