



Monday 16th September 2019

Development of Reading in Year 3 and 4

Dear Parent/Carer,

In Year 3 and 4 developing children's reading is a primary focus. Reading sits at the heart of all learning and is a principal driver of improving outcomes for children. It is through the process of reading that children are presented with the opportunity to meet new words, examine them, explore them and then hopefully integrate them into their everyday working vocabulary.

To support this, we are attempting to create awareness and celebrate the hard work and effort, parents and carers bring to this fantastic and rewarding process. **We are looking to gather images showing where reading takes place in your lives, your homes, and/or indeed the wider environment.** These images will then inform a development of reading display within the classroom. It is our hope that this can then in turn present children and parents with exciting ways or ideas to create new opportunities for reading at home. Next week an ipod will be sent home, each day with a child and then returned to the class teacher the following morning.

To kick this off, we wish to invite you to a 15 minute presentation talking through the process of recording children's reading in 'School Contact Book and Reading Record' and what is expected each week. This will be held on **Thursday 19th September at 3:15pm.**

On **Wednesday 25th September** we would like to invite you to an open guided reading from **2:30pm until 3:00pm.** This is a fantastic opportunity to come into the school setting, read with your child and experience the process of comments being recorded.

We are eagerly looking forward to getting this initiative up and running within Year 3 and 4 to celebrate the great reading that is ongoing and we would greatly appreciate your continued support.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come see us.

Yours faithfully,

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Year 3 and 4 Learning Leaders