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Dear Parent/Carer,

As a school we have recently invested in new reading books. The children in Early Years and Key Stage One have group reading sessions 3 times per week in class. We ask that in addition to this you read at home as much as possible, ideally every day.

You will notice that your child brings the same book home throughout the week. This is because research shows that reading and re-reading the same books builds the children's confidence and secures their reading strategies faster than through trying several books, for example once they can read the words in that book, they can then work on expression when reading aloud because they are confident with the words. Your child's reading book will be changed once every week.

In order to allow the group reading sessions to take place, please ensure that your child/ren bring their reading books and planners to school **every day**.

The school has invested a lot of money in these books and we ask that you play a vital part in looking after the books when they come home. It is very important that the children value the books. The group reading would break down if we begin losing books from sets, so all of the children would miss out. With this in mind we have made the decision to charge for any **loss or damage** of books. This will be charged at the cost of a replacement, which we have valued at an average of £3.00 per book.

We will be adding some reading videos and guides onto our Weduc page to support you with reading at home. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Whitfield Early Reading Lead



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