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Reception Reading

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and your child are enjoyed their first full week in Reception. As we start the term your child will be bringing home some reading books. As we move into the year the children may get extra books as they develop their phonic knowledge. Here are the books that will come home:

Large picture book & green book	Please spend time reading the book to your child and then the child completes the task set in their green book. This is usually a picture of something to do with the story. The tasks can be found in the reading books. When confident they may want to write something too but only when they are able to do so. Please ensure this is brought in on Wednesday each week so we can change the books and see the amazing drawings you are doing and send back out on the Friday.
Wordless Books	At the start of the year children will receive wordless picture books. This is a chance for the children to get used to books. Get your child to talk about what is happening on each page and tell the story in their own words. As the children start to blend sounds, they will move on to Read Write Inc books. Please ensure these books are in their bag daily.
Read Write Inc books (phonic books)	These books will come home in a variety of forms as their phonics learning progresses. It will start with a sound blending book, moving on to a ditty sheet (small story on paper) and then to books that show red words and match to the sounds that they know. Children will not have these until they are confident blending sounds in words (which can take several weeks). Please ensure these books are in their bag daily.
Yellow Book/Reading Diary	This book is to record your child's reading at home and school. Please make sure this comes in every day so we can also record when we have read with your child. We expect children to read at home every day for a short amount of time. Please record every time your child reads at home. If you have books at home, please continue to read these to your children as much as possible too. You can also record these in the book.

Please do not worry if your child has not yet reached a certain book or level as children will progress at different rates. Over the next few weeks, the children will have daily phonics sessions in smaller groups to ensure that they start to progress with their reading.

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Thank you for your support with this and if you have any questions regarding reading, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind Regards,

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