

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

As you know we have our RWI scheme in school to support the reading and writing of children. When the children are ready to read we send home their first reading book. These are known as Blending Books. They contain sounds that the children have already learnt during their phonic lessons.

Children are encouraged to read these books daily around 5-10 minutes. At first you may read the whole book in one go, as they progress through the books it may take more than one read to complete.

We change books twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays, this enables the children to become fluent in their reading and begin to read without decoding words using their Fred Talk, (sounding and then blending words).

It is important when reading the Blending Books that children sound out each word on the first page, and then read the word on the next page without blending. The second page enables the adult and child to discuss the picture and understand the meaning of the word.

When you have read with your child, please write in the reading diary so your child's class teacher can see that you have read. Your class teacher will also hear each child read once a week from their books. All adults teaching the phonic curriculum hear your child read daily during these lessons.

If you have any questions please see myself or Miss Curnow.

Mrs Earley

Reading Leader

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