

Monday 1st November 2021

Reading Books

Dear Parents/Carers,

Every Monday, your child will be coming home with a reading book that matches the sounds we are learning in school. You will be able to use this book to practice reading ideally five times a week at home and then record it on the Go Read app. For more information on the app, please see the Go Read letter.

We will be changing this book once a week each Monday. This might seem like a long time to have the same book, however it is really important that the children have time to practice the same words and become fluent with them. By the end of the week, it might appear as though they have remembered the words and are no longer “reading” them – this is great as they are developing fluency!

Some top tips when reading at home:

- Use the phonics pack to practice the individual sounds first (watch the Seesaw video for tips on how to say each sound correctly)
- Encourage your child to say each sound first before blending the sounds together to make a word e.g. “c-a-t cat”.
- Ask questions about what they are reading – if it is a sound blending book with just words, can they put the word into a sentence? If it is a picture book, what is happening in the pictures or can they make up their own story?
- Can they point out certain sounds? e.g. hunt for all the a sounds in the book.
- Can they find any tricky words if they have a story book? (I, no, go, to, the, into).
- Is the story/picture/word familiar to anything they have seen or read before?

Please ensure that the book is in your child’s bag or bookbag every day as we will practice reading at school too.

Many thanks,

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