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Dear Parents,

### **Helping your child to read**

Your child has brought home a **sharing book**. This book is from the class / school library. Your child **will not be able to read this on his/her own**. This book is for you to read together for pleasure. Discuss the pictures, enjoy the story, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters, explore the facts in a non-fiction book. Enjoy this time together.

**Reading practice books**, linked to our phonics scheme Little Wandle Letters and Sounds, will be sent home later this half term, once children have learnt the first sets of letter sounds.

Please follow the link below to find information on **what your child will be taught and when and how you can support them at home**.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

**Sharing Books can be changed as frequently as required.**

#### **A reminder of the 10 top reasons why reading is important:**

1. Your child's vocabulary becomes larger and more extensive.
2. They perform better academically, especially in reading, speaking, writing & spelling
3. Their imagination can run wild.
4. Their creativity skills develop.
5. They develop empathy.
6. They gain a deeper understanding of their world.
7. Their concentration levels improve.
8. It improves bonds between parent and child
9. Their cognitive development is supported.
10. Their social skills and interactions improve

In the meantime, thank you for your continued support in this crucially beneficial stage on your child's development.

Please do ask if you have any questions

Yours sincerely,

Jill Nicholls  
Class Teacher