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Dear Parents,

We would like to share some exciting news regarding our new Reading Records for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3 students.

We would like to encourage all children to read at least four times a week at home. This reading can be either independent or with an adult and recorded in their Reading Record by noting the date, title of the book, pages read and a short comment. This could include a fun fact, exciting event that occurred or thought that puzzled them, for example. Each 'read' should be a minimum of 15 minutes. Parents are also welcome to comment but this is not an expectation as we'd like to encourage the children to be reflective about their own reading. To make this even more engaging, we will be introducing a raffle ticket reward system for those who manage to complete four or more home reads in a week. Pupils must ensure they bring their Reading Record to school everyday as they will be checked by their English teachers. We want to make reading a fun and rewarding experience!

While we will not be signing conduct cards for this initiative, we believe that recognising their efforts through awards like raffle tickets will inspire our young readers. The benefits of reading are immense; it not only enhances comprehension and vocabulary but also fosters a lifelong love of literature and enhances imagination and creativity. Therefore, it's crucial we encourage a regular reading habit both at school and at home to support the learning of our pupils.

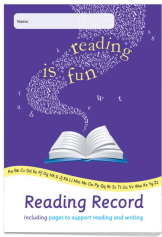
In addition to home reading, we will also be incorporating "read and respond" activities during tutor time. This will give students an opportunity to discuss what they have read and share their thoughts and feelings about the texts they encounter. Pupils will record each task on the left-hand side of a double page spread in their Reading Record.

To keep track of their reading, we will ask children to record their home reading on the right-hand side of their Reading Records. Please ensure that a double page is assigned to each new week, as this will help us monitor their progress and reflect on their reading journey.

We are eager to promote a love of reading and to support our children in becoming enthusiastic readers who appreciate the joys that literature has to offer. Your support in encouraging their reading habits at home will be invaluable.

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Offer (Head of English).

KS2 Reading Record:



KS3 Reading Record:



One week per double page

Left side page:

Read and Respond activities to be done in school.

Right side page:

Record reading at home - this could be to an adult. Add a date, book title and pages read - comment if they can.

Yours Sincerely,

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Head of English