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Feedback Parents Reading at Home Survey

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for responding to the questionnaire about reading at home. The responses were all incredibly helpful.

It is absolutely brilliant to hear so many children are listening to their 'class reader' via the video link each day in the google classroom which is read by staff (and sometimes surprise guest readers!). The fact it is a video allows children to listen at any convenient time of the day. A huge thank you to all the staff for taking time to record these.







It is also fabulous that you are enjoying our year group **padlets** where the children are sharing their favourite books. It gives them an audience to write for a real purpose and provides everyone with ideas for choosing another book. Here are the links for each year group:

Year 6 https://padlet.com/jclayton28/g42mdaihoueftxen

Year 5 https://padlet.com/pcrabb2/Topbooks

Year 4 https://padlet.com/WFJSMissDay/u80ilgj717l6axvv

Year 3 https://en-gb.padlet.com/wfjsyear3/uhkwmmltprbxxv6h

Please do not share our school padlets on any other digital media platform.

A number of you have requested some remote access to our school library. We have considered this and we are currently researching if we can share the library software to allow you to 'browse' should school be closed to the majority for a long time. We are considering how we can distribute books under the current restrictions. In the meantime, if you are really struggling with providing your child with books to read, please contact your class teacher who then may be able to arrange for collection of a suitable book.

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You asked for recommendations for reading books. There are a number of useful websites in the Learning/English section of our school website, which are excellent as a source of reference. Also, our year group padlets where the children are recommending to each other. I sometimes post new books on the school twitter that I am hearing good reviews about too. I will endeavour to keep you as informed as I can via the website, Weekly Bulletin and twitter. The teachers will also post book recommendations in the padlet as they become established.

You also asked if we could set up a **remote reading record** to support you with encouraging reading at home and to reward the children for reading efforts. All the teachers are working incredibly hard to provide a full and varied timetable, which includes guided comprehension weekly and using a text in the English lessons. We are considering if we could make this effective and manageable at the same time. However, please ask your child to let their class teacher know when they have finished a book. I am sure they will be pleased to know and award dojos for this.

Thank you again for your supportive comments letting us know we are succeeding in providing encouragement for reading as part of our remote learning offer.

Kind regards

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