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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Reading Scheme

We are moving over to a new reading scheme that is more closely linked to the teaching of phonics in school.

The reading books that will be brought home by the children will be matched to the sounds and key words that they have been taught in school. The children should be able to independently read all of the words in these books, which will also support them developing fluency and confidence.

This will mean that we no longer use the coloured book band scheme, although we will continue to use books from the bands. We will be sending home a book linked to their current phonic learning and phase. This may mean that your child reads from a different colour than with the old system. We will aim to change these books twice a week, however at first this may be weekly. The children will re-read and re-visit books over time to help with fluency and comprehension of texts and will need to show that they have mastered the sounds on more than one occasion.

In the front of your child's reading record there will be a sound card showing the sounds that your child knows; it would be helpful if you go through the sounds with your child each time you hear them read. Staff will tick off the sounds they already know, so you can see their progress and the sounds which they still need to learn.

Do come and speak to us if you have any questions. Please also let us know if your child finds the phonics book too challenging.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mrs Kirk".

Mrs Kirk (English subject lead)

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