



Dear Parents/Carers,

Home reading book stars

In response to recent feedback from parents which suggests that some children are fading in their motivation for reading at times and are more than a little disappointed that the accustomed 'read 10 books for a star on the chart' policy no longer applies to year 2, we have discussed how to re-introduce appropriate incentives to motivate children to enjoy reading at home more. Today, your child will come home with a Reading Reward Token. This allows parents to indicate when their child has read ten books. Although we will periodically monitor their home reading records, the responsibility is predominantly on parents to count and verify that ten books have been read each time. It is then your child's responsibility to make their class teacher aware that ten books have been read by presenting the initialled token. Children may then have a star on their chart as a celebration for reading the ten books.

The tokens can be used for up to sixty books being read and then a new one will be issued. We would appreciate these being looked after carefully, by being kept inside reading folders so that they can stay in good condition whilst being used.

We have discussed this new system with the children at school and it will start with immediate effect. Please note, we do not expect books read already this year to be retrospectively counted, but any books read from today may be included in the count.

Many thanks for your constructive feedback and we hope that we have addressed your concerns through the introduction of these reading reward tokens, although ultimately we hope that children will primarily read for pleasure and develop a lifelong love of books.

Kind regards,
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