

Dear Parents and Carers,

Developing a love of reading

Research shows that children who are fluent readers, through reading widely and often, have much greater academic success. Reading is the key to accessing the whole curriculum. Since the start of term, we have been applying a range of strategies to encourage the children to **read at home** and **in their spare time**.

To inspire and motivate the children further, starting today, we will be giving out rewards to all children who engage in 'extra reading'

During Autumn 2, your child's reading record will be checked at the end of the week by our English Champions (Y6 pupils), who will then give out some amazing rewards to the children who take part.

The English Champions will be looking for evidence of '**extra reading**' in your child's **reading record**.

- Evidence must be in the form of **3 or more** signatures/comments in the reading record.
- The signatures should be from people who have read with your child **at home** or in their **free time in school** i.e. cousins, parents, carers, grandparents, neighbour, siblings, family members, older friends / peers.

Our English Champions and librarians will be on duty throughout the week to read with the younger children at break and lunchtime. The English champions will sign reading records, which will contribute to the number of signatures your child can use towards their evidence.

We really hope that you will support us with this and help your child to win the weekly prize!

We will announce the prizes every Friday at Celebration assembly and track how many children are taking part each week.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

The English Team

