

Reading at Home

A simple guide for families

**Reading little and often helps children build confidence, fluency and a lifelong enjoyment of books.
Thank you for making reading part of your family routine.**

EYFS and KS1: Reading record

- Please listen to your child read at least three times each week and sign their reading record after each read.
- A teacher or teaching assistant will check and stamp the reading record weekly.
- Children earn **one house point for every recorded read**.
- Each year group will choose a **Reader of the Week** for engagement or improvement—not simply for the highest number of reads.
- The Reader of the Week receives a certificate, a book and a pencil.

KS2: Reflective reading journal

- Children use a **reflective reading journal** rather than a traditional reading record.
- For each book, children should include the **title and author**, a simple rating and a brief reflection on their reading.
- Please sign the journal when your child finishes a book; you are also welcome to add a short comment.
- Any book read at home may be recorded, including books borrowed from home, the library or school.
- Children will have opportunities to share their thoughts about finished books with a friend or adult in school.
- A teacher or teaching assistant will check and stamp the journal weekly.
- Children earn **one house point for every recorded read**.
- Each year group will choose a **Reader of the Week** for engagement or improvement—not simply for the highest number of reads.
- The Reader of the Week receives a certificate, a book and a pencil.

For all families

- Please keep your child's reading folder—containing their book and record or journal—in their school bag every day.
- KS2 children are encouraged to have their journal available in class so that they can share and recommend books during the day.
- Each year group will let families know its set day for checking records and, where relevant, changing reading books.

Children are more likely to become enthusiastic readers when they see the adults around them reading and talking positively about books.