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Dear Parents,

We have had a fantastic day today celebrating World Book Day and we would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for their continued support in reading daily with their children. I would like to remind all families that reading with your child supports them in developing their fluency. Once you have read with your child, we ask if you can record this in their reading record/homework diary so the staff can see which children are being supported at home. We continue to read with your children to support them but would ask that you too practise reading at home. Any parents who are not reading frequently with their children will be contacted by a member of the team at school to discuss any issues.

As a reminder, the parents of the children in Reception, Years One & Two should be practising reading their book daily. If your child has a decodable reader, they are expected to read and reread the book many times until they become fluent. The purpose of the decodable readers is to develop confidence and consolidate learning from the daily phonics lessons; we are aware this is repetitive however the research suggests that this approach to early reading has the most success in developing competent readers who enjoy reading as their education journey continues.

In Key Stage Two, we expect parents to read with their child a minimum of three times per week. This is due to the fact that children in Key Stage Two should be fluent readers and capable of practising their books themselves. It is vital however that you continue to read with your child as your questioning helps to develop their understanding. We know that children who are good word readers and have good comprehension have the best chance of success in their education journey.

If you have any questions or queries about the reading records, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

Mrs. F. Stephenson

