



Tuesday 3rd March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to invite you to a Reading Information Meeting for parents next week: Tuesday 10th March at 9:15 am OR Wednesday 11th March at 6:30pm. Reading is the single most important skill your child needs to secure at primary school. A fluent, widely read child will be significantly more successful with learning in other areas including maths and will achieve higher grades on exams at secondary school and beyond. Reading also has a positive impact on mental health in both children and adults. Both meetings will take place in the junior hall. I hope that the two different times mean that as many of you as possible will be able to attend. The meeting is suitable for parents of children in all year groups from reception up to year 6.

The meeting will cover:

- How we teach/support reading at school
- The importance of reading – for academics and for mental health
- How to support your child at home with reading
- How to create enthusiasm about reading in your home/with your child
- Phonics – a workshop will run during the meeting for parents of EYFS/Keystage 1 pupils about how to support phonic learning
- Books – what children need to read to make the best progress possible with their learning
- Reading and dyslexia – how to support children with weak decoding skills
- Reading for pleasure – how to instill a love of reading through reading aloud, book choice and book talk

There will be a presentation followed by a chance to browse books at the "Reading Café". Tea/coffee and biscuits will be available and you will have a chance to see what books are currently available, do a bit of reading yourself and to ask any questions you may have. There will be suggested reading lists and helpful documents to take away from the meeting. I hope to see many of you next week!

Yours sincerely

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Literacy co-ordinator

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