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Every Child A Champion In Their Own Right Matthew 5.16 – 'Let Your Light Shine'

Hi Parents,

Home Reading

We are soon to launch our new Home Reading Scheme - lots of great books, great adventures.

To promote the incredible value of reading we are, for this week at least, sending home a special reading book from our library collection.

This is for children to read carefully but hopefully to help encourage parents to join in the reading - YOU ARE THE BEST ROLE MODELS.

Maybe, for kiddies just learning to read or for older ones who may find reading difficult, parents and child reading TOGETHER is absolutely brilliant if you can make it happen as often as possible.

Your child, UNDERSTANDING what he/she is reading, is most important. Parents - please ask your child questions - some guidance is attached.

As these books are from our special library collection, we need to issue a fine of £5, £7 or £10 (depending on the type/size of the book) if any book is lost or damaged.

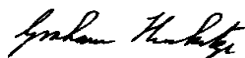
We are trusting that these books will be well looked after by your family.

All books to be returned by next Friday 16th September.

Reminder: Each child, as always, is expected to read at least four times weekly. Please record, as normal, in your child's new Reading Record which you will also have received today. Thank you.

HAPPY READING!

Regards



G Huckstep
Headteacher

*Questions to ask your child
when reading - Key Stage 1*

Before reading the book:

- Can you point to the title? or What is this? (pointing to the title)
- What do you think this story will be about? What might happen in the story?
- What do we call the writing on the back of the book? (Blurb) or What does the blurb tell us?

During the reading of the book:

- What is happening in the pictures?
- What has happened so far? Is it what you expected to happen?
- What might happen next? How do you think the story might end?
- What sort of character is....? Is he/she friendly/ mean/ nice...?

*Questions to ask your child
when reading - Key Stage 1*

At the end of the book:

- Did you like this book? Why? (Encourage children to develop their opinion about books by encouraging them to explain their reasons)
- What was your favourite part? Why?
- What was the most interesting/ exciting part of the book? Can you find it?
- What sort of character was....?
- Why did that character do ... (give a situation/ event from the story)?
- What happened in the story?



*Questions to ask your child
when reading - Key Stage 2*

Before reading the book:

- What do you think this story will be about?
- What might happen in the story?
- What genre will this story be? E.g. fantasy, comedy, horror.
- What do we call the writing on the back of the book? (Blurb) or What does the blurb tell us?

During the reading of the book:

- What has happened so far? Is it what you expected to happen?
- What might happen next?
- How do you think the story might end?
- Who is your favourite character? Why?
- Who is the character you like least? Why?
- Find 2 sentences, which describe the setting.
- Is the plot fast or slow moving? Find some evidence in the text, which supports your view.

*Questions to ask your child
when reading - Key Stage 2*

At the end of the book:

- Which part of the story is your favourite / least favourite? Why?
- Would you change any part of the story? How?
- Would you change any of the characters? How?
- Which part of the story was the funniest, scariest, saddest, and happiest? Find some evidence in the text to support your opinion.
- Would you like to read another book by this author? Why?
- Does your opinion of this character change during the story? How? Why?
- If you met one of the characters from the story, what would you say to him / her?
- Find 2 things the author wrote about this character that made him / her likeable or unlikeable?

