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Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Reading Books

From January, we will be asking pupils to read quietly during afternoon registration. This is part of our drive to improve literacy across the school. This push already includes a focus on spellings and other literacy-based activities on Mondays and quiet reading on Tuesdays.

We are seeking your help in implementing this initiative and would ask that, from January, you remind your child to bring their reading book to school every day, not just on a Tuesday.

From reinforcing spellings and expanding vocabulary to improving punctuation and writing skills, reading is one of the biggest enhancers of literacy.

This small but meaningful measure will mean that pupils read for well over an hour each week in school.

We appreciate your support in this matter.

If you have any questions, you can reach me at school.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher