Dear Parents

We previously wrote to you to inform you that we were creating a new reading system in school. We are happy to tell you that during this week we will be launching the new reading scheme with your children in Reception to Year 4. In the summer term we will be launching this for Years 5 and 6. Following this, from September we will not have any free readers in school and books will be levelled to challenge children at the appropriate level from Nursery to Year 6. In addition to our levelled books we will ensure that children have opportunities to read a wider range of texts i.e. Harry Potter, Jaqueline Wilson, Tom Gates. However we would like to make it clear that your children's levelled book is the book that will drive their progress forward.

We have worked hard as a team to precisely match the reading books your children bring home to their level. This will ensure they become confident, fluent readers.

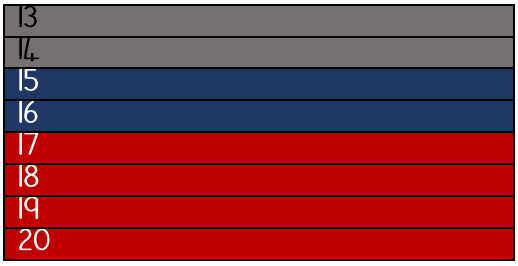
Here is an overview of the new reading system.

Reading levels-EYFS- KSI

Level 1
Level 2
Level 3a
Level 3b
Level 4a
Level 4b
Level 5a
Level 5b
Level 5c
Level 6a
Level 6b
White
Lime

Reading Levels – KS2

8
9
10
11
12



Reading expectations

Your child will be expected to read at least a number of titles at each level fluently before they progress to the next reading level. Teachers will complete on going assessments to ensure children are reading the correct books.

Until your child has completed Lime level, we will ensure that your child reads at least once a week with a member of staff as well as taking part in a variety of reading activities throughout the week.

Home reading

Please read with your child at least three times a week and initial their reading diary when you have done so.

High Frequency Words

Please keep practising the high frequency words for your child's year group. These are on the school website.

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks for your support

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