



Rice Lane Primary School

"Be happy together, believe together, achieve together"

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IMPORTANT - CHANGES TO HOME READING

Dear Parents /Carers,

As a school, from this term we are focussing on how we teach reading. During our last two INSET days all staff have attended training and we are now ready to implement our new reading scheme. This scheme will help pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 develop fluent and confident decoding skills, as well as an understanding of what they are reading. The scheme, called Read Write Inc, ensures that the books which your child reads in school and at home directly relate to the sounds (phonics) which they learn in class.

From Monday 10th January we will be collecting in all current reading scheme books and they will be replaced by a Read, Write Inc book. Your child will read the book in class before it is sent home for them to read at home, this helps to build confidence and fluency. In order to develop their understanding, there are a couple of questions at the back of each book for you to discuss.

Please ensure that you continue to use your child's reading diary to log the dates that you read with your child. It is also a good communication aid with the reading teacher. In order for this program to work, the children must have their reading books in school **everyday**.

At the end of the autumn term your child's phonics and reading was assessed. The intention of the Read, Write Inc scheme is that reading, both in school and at home, is appropriately challenging. Further assessments will take place at the end of every half term. We use the information to decide what reading group they should be in. Your child will work with children who are at the same reading level as him or her. Children will move to a different group if they are making faster progress than the others. Your child will have one-to-one support if we think he or she needs some extra help to keep up.

Based upon the results you might also notice the book colour for your child may be changed. Please do not focus on the Read Write Inc colour band as they have their own colour band system, which does not match our old colour band system.

As a school, we have spent a lot of money on the Read Write Inc books. We understand that accidents do happen, and sometimes books are lost, but we need to replace each damaged or lost book. In such circumstances, please inform the School Office about the name of the book which has been lost/damaged and pay £5.00 to cover the cost of a replacement book.

I would like to thank you in advance for your patience and understanding over the next week as we change reading books over to our new reading scheme.

As Reading Lead I shall be putting a Powerpoint presentation on Seesaw early next week, in which I will discuss the scheme in more detail.

If you have any queries regarding our new reading scheme, do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Yours faithfully

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Assistant Headteacher

