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Dear Parents,

## **Children's Learning - READING**

Every six weeks I meet with each teacher in a formal meeting about children's learning and we talk about how they are progressing.

One of the key points in this meeting is to discuss what we can do to help them. We talk about how we can change our teaching, whether we can put them in a special group and with new activities which might help them, talk about any teaching assistants who might be able to help.

**This term one of the concerns that all teachers talked to me about was that children are not reading at home.** In school we put reading as a high priority as it is the route to learning. We teach children to read through practising letter sounds each day, reading in a group each day, reading activities and lesson with a focus on reading each day. We have additional reading groups for some children and use many volunteers to hear children read.

However, as with learning anything, children need regular practice. If they have had a lesson in school, they need to practice at home. The children who are reading well, are the children who are practicing at home.

**I would ask that you find 10 minutes every day to listen to or read with your child. It does really make a difference.**

If you would like any advice on how to support your child, please pop in and ask your class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

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