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Reading at Richardson Dees Primary School

Dear parents and carers,

We are now in a position to start sending home reading books with your child. As you will appreciate, however, we will be organising this in a different way this year.

Reception Class

Children will begin to bring words home and once they have a bank of these words, Miss Johnson will issue a phonics reading book to your child. Please help your child to sound out the letters to blend the words. Reception children will also bring home a different book of their choice to share with you. They can read along with you, look at and discuss the pictures and story whilst you read it to them.

Year 1 and 2 (Developing Readers)

Children will bring home a phonic, decodable book whilst they are developing their reading skills. This book will be closely matched to the letter sounds that they are learning in class. Your child will also bring home a different book of their choice to share with you. They can read along with you, look at and discuss the pictures and story whilst you read it to them. Once your child has completed the phonics programme, they will move onto Oxford Reading Tree Level books.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Children will bring home a book matched to their reading level. All children have been assessed and an appropriate book has been given to them. In some cases, your child may bring home more than one book, depending on the length of the text.

Important information for all parents and carers

- Please make sure your child returns their book once they have finished it.
- We will put the book into a box so that it can be quarantined for 72 hours before it goes back onto the reading book shelves.
- Your child can change their reading book as often as they like.
- If your child is a confident reader on free choice books and does not enjoy the book - that is fine. They can choose a different one.
- Please support your child by ensuring there is at least 15 minutes of reading time at home each day.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs H Wise
Deputy Head &
Literacy and Maths Leader

