



# Lawn Primary & Nursery School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September, your child will be sent home with a new reading record for this school year. Please remember to write in it regularly to show the reading that they do at home. Children in UKS2 (Years 5+6) can begin to record some of this themselves. Please do refer to the letter inside the front cover of the reading records for more information. We know that most children can read independently, however it is still so important that they can discuss the book they are reading with an adult. One read per day is counted for each pupil and we keep a record of how many reads your child has done and we reward this with stickers at each achievement on the 'Reading for Pleasure' Tracker found at the back of their reading records. Please find a copy of this in the parent handbook too. We will also share these achievements in our weekly celebration assemblies.

If you misplace the reading record book, another one can be purchased via MCAS at the cost of £1.

## Reception Term 1

Your child will be learning the Set 1 sounds and will bring home a 'My Set 1 Speed Sounds Book' to continue to learn with you at home. They will also be bringing a library book home which they can share and enjoy with you (this is a book for you to read to them).

## Reception (Term 2 onwards) and KS1 (Years 1+2)

Your child will soon be coming home with three reading books: two phonic-based and one for pleasure (from the library). Remember that reading should not be a task or chore but an enjoyable time together which helps to develop reading skills as well as an enjoyment of reading.

One of the phonic-based books is one your child will have read during the week in their phonics lessons. Encourage your child to read this text fluently. The other is a "book bag book" which focuses on the same phonic sound but is a new text. Books can be read more than once as this helps to reinforce the recognition of graphemes (written) and phonemes (sound). Both phonic-based books are designed to reinforce the phonic learning in school and help your child to be secure in their ability to read a sound and decode words which contain that sound. Your child will be assessed in their phonics at the end of each term.

## KS2 (Year 3-6)

Each week, the children will be given the opportunity to choose a book from our school library. They will also be able to choose a book from their class or year group reading areas. Class teachers will continue to track their reading journeys in the back of their reading records.

**\*\*Please note that if a reading book from school is damaged or lost by a pupil, there will be a charge of £5 per book. This includes library books, class books and phonics books. \*\***

Kind regards,

Mrs Saunders

