

Home reading – you can make a difference this half-term!

Dear parents/ carers,

Your child has made super progress in their reading this year.

Let's keep them reading this half-term for maximum success in the Phonics Screening Check.

Watch Virtual Classroom films

We'll be sending links on the Newsletters/Website to:

1. Set 2 and/or Set 3 reading films to practise reading specific sounds and words
2. Pinny Time films to practise reading sounds speedily
3. 'Special Friends, Fred Talk' films for practice reading a range of new words.

The plan

- Set aside 10 minutes to watch films with your child each day.
- Find a quiet space for your child to watch the film on a laptop or tablet.
- Praise your child as they join in with the lesson.

Practise using My Sets 2 and 3 Speed Sounds Book

Your child has a *My Sets 2 and 3 Speed Sounds Book* to practise reading sounds and words at home. There are instructions in the inside cover of the book.

See how quickly your child can read each of the sounds.

Ask them to read the words using Fred Talk.

Practise Papers

Use the example papers provided to support your child reading a selection of real and nonsense words.

Encourage your child to read the words using 'Special Friends, Fred Talk, Read the Word'.

The focus with this is to read with accuracy, not speed.

Listen to your child read every day

You will find *Read Write Inc.* Storybooks in the bookbag for your child to read to you.

Choose a quiet time when they are wide awake.

Help your child to:

- read the sounds and words at the front of the book, before they read the story
- sound out any new words as they read the story.

Read back each page to them, after they have read it.

If the child has enjoyed the story, encourage them to read it again on the next day to increase their fluency.

Most importantly...do it all with patience and love.

Your support matters.

Thank you,
The Year 1 Team