



Reading Activities for Reception Children



Early reading is one of the most vital skills we teach in Class One. It is proven that children that practise and read regularly at home, do well in school.



As a school, we expect children to read at home at least 3 times a week for 10 minutes, with your comments recorded in Reading Diaries.



Reading Eggs



During their independent play in school, the children have access to an interactive reading programme called Reading Eggs. It is a fantastic resource; the children absolutely love it and it also helps to consolidate early reading skills.



Each child has undertaken a placement test to generate their starting point and this means that programme is completely personalised to your child's need. The idea is that they complete games and activities to collect golden eggs.



I have included the link to an information video for parents which explains the different aspects of Reading Eggs and how it can be accessed. <https://support.3plearning.com/?s=parents>

In the front of your child's Reading Record Diary, are login details. The QR code will take you directly to the site if you scan through a camera on a tablet or smart phone. The site is also fully accessible through a PC or laptop.



We would like the children to access Reading Eggs at home as part of their homework activities. The parent support video explains that there are different components to the programme, Reading Eggs, Fast Phonics and Eggspress. I would ask that the children **only access the Reading Eggs content** (rather than Fast Phonics or Eggspress) as this supports work going on in school. The children may require a little help to complete some tasks and to ensure that they are selecting the correct options. A weekly report with scores is generated for school, so that we can check-in with the progress that the children are making. How frequently you choose to access the programme is entirely up to you. However, we request that the children engage with Reading Eggs at least **once a week at home**. Please record comments of activities completed in your child's Reading Record Diary. e.g. 5/10/24 Reading Eggs- Ben completed 3 activities this evening.



Do send me a message or come and see me if anything is unclear or you have any problems accessing Reading Eggs.



Colour Banded Reading Books



Your child will bring home a coloured band reading book. Some of these books might be made up of picture stories and contain no words. For these, you should encourage your child to look at the pictures and tell the story in their own words. You could encourage them to pick out characters, say how the characters are feeling, predict what might happen next and get them to re-tell the plot of the story once finished. As above, please record comments in Reading Records every time your child has "read" their book.



Once we begin the Read, Write, Inc. Programme and as your child's letter sound recognition and blending skills develop, we will start sending colour banded books to read. Colour banded books are intentionally pitched at an "easy level" to encourage a positive experience and fluent reading. These will contain sounds that they have learnt in school and simple cvc words and phrases.



In school we read our favourite stories over and over again, so please encourage your child to re-read their book more than once, we say at least 3 times. This really helps with vocabulary, book skills and reading comprehension. We will change and send a new reading book home every **Monday**. We check Reading Record Books frequently in school, so I suggest all resources are kept in book-bags. We will only change a book if it has been read at home. This will be measured through your written comments in your child's reading diary.



Library Books



Your child will bring a school library book home every **Friday** to share at home with you over the course of the following week. Please note that your child is not expected to read this book themselves, it is more of a shared experience to promote reading for pleasure. Please ensure library books are in book-bags every **Friday** so that we can change them.



We recommend that any school books are stored and kept in book bags in order to ensure their safe and prompt return. If you have any questions about the above, please do come and see me.



Many thanks and happy reading!



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