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Aim High

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your feedback regarding reading. I am pleased that there are many people having a positive experience of reading, however several concerns have been raised by a number of parents/carers.

Below are the concerns that have been raised and solutions for moving forward:

Children receiving books that are not appropriate for their reading ability. Children currently visit the library and check books out of the library with the support of an adult. Staff members in each year group who know the children well have been tasked with the role of double checking the books that have been taken out from the library to ensure that they are at an appropriate reading level. It is important to note that for children who are learning to read, their library book may be more suited to their interest level rather than their reading age level in order for you to share at home to develop a love of reading.

Children are not bringing their books home.

We have ordered A4 popper wallets for children in Year 1, 2 and 3 to store their books and reading records. These will be in place on Monday 12th December. Children returning from Read Write Inc groups will put their wallet into their book bag immediately on their return. Children in Year 4, 5 and 6 are expected to have responsibility for bringing their books home with reminders from year group adults. Children with Special Educational Needs in these classes will be supported by an adult to check their belongings are in their bag.

Books are not changed frequently enough/books are changed too frequently.

Boxes will be placed outside the classroom door for Year 1, 2 and 3. When you would like your child's book changing, please place the whole wallet into the box and your child's new book will be issued by the end of the day.

Children in Year 4, 5 and 6 are expected to have responsibility of placing their books into the box in the classroom. A visit to the library will then be arranged during the school day for them to change their book. For children with SEN in Year 4, 5 and 6, please write in the reading record that you would like the book changing and ask your child to pass the record directly to an adult.

Children bringing home books that are not suitable for their level of maturity.

Books with a more mature content have restricted access on the library system that must be accepted or declined. We have created a Year 6 only area within the library and have redeployed adults today to ensure that all of these books have restricted access which must be accepted or declined before loaning the books within this section.

Thank you to the parents/carers that have raised their concerns, allowing us to be aware of and address these issues with immediate effect. Feedback on the impact of these changes, once fully in place, would be gratefully received.

Yours sincerely,

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