



Lawns Park Primary School

Lawns Park: Learning Positivity, Learning Perseverance,
Learning Patience, Learning Politeness.

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Dear Parents / Carers

At Lawns Park Primary School, we believe that learning to read is an essential part of every child's education. As well as teaching children how to read, we aim to foster a love of reading in our children through exposure to exciting and challenging texts.

Reading is a skill we continue to develop throughout our lives, but starting this process as early as possible has significant benefits for our continued success as readers. This is why, as parents and carers, you play a vital role in supporting your child in becoming a fluent reader who is confidently able to apply their reading skills across all areas of their lives.

The teaching of reading and reading comprehension within the classroom is only part of a child's learning, and the value that is given to reading at home is equally important. Research suggests that children who read regularly outside of school perform significantly better academically and so your support at home is essential in ensuring that your child makes the progress that they are capable of. You can help your child to achieve their full potential by listening to them read regularly, sharing bedtime stories frequently and by encouraging them to read for pleasure. Reading widely through all of these approaches will help to develop your child's vocabulary, which in turn will make them more confident when reading more challenging books.

Our school expectation is for children to read at least three times a week at home. In order for us to track how much reading your child is doing at home, it is important that you sign their reading record every time you have listened to them read, along with a brief comment. At the upper end of Key Stage 2 (Y5/6) when children are more likely to be reading independently, they should be responsible for recording their own reads including pages read from and to. However, this should then be signed by parents/carers at least once a week. Recorded reads can include their school reading books, library books and any other reading of their choice.

For children who complete the minimum of 3 reads a week they will be rewarded with a counter for their team. Each week we will monitor and record the number of times your child has read and the percentage of children who have achieved their 3 reads within the class. This will also be recorded and shared in assembly each week to celebrate the love of reading. The class with the highest percentage of 3 reads will win the Reading Trophy for that week and receive a reward of 10 Owl points towards their whole class reward system.

All reads will be counted and tallied throughout the year, children who achieve 200 reads by the end of the school year will be rewarded with a trip to the book shop and gifted a book of their choice. Reaching 200 reads will be a challenge however those who are positive and persevere by going above and beyond the expected 3 reads per week can certainly achieve this!

Your support with reading at home is essential and only by working together can we ensure that your child achieves their full potential as a reader. If you require any further guidance regarding reading, please ask your child's class teacher.

Kind regards
Mrs Paul

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