

**Wednesday 25th April 2018**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

**EYFS Reading Books**

We would like to review the way we change our reading books in EYFS to help our children to read more regularly at home. We hope this will ensure children are reading at home with parents almost every day as reading is the most important skill to acquire when you begin school. Several children are not being heard at least three times a week at home by an adult or reading records are not being completed to show this. This is impacting on children's progress as when we hear them at school they are seeing the book for the first time when it should be familiar. High frequency words also need to be practised at home too to ensure that by the end of June they can read the 45 high frequency words.

From Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April children will be able to change their reading books with their parents as they come to school on designated days.

**Caterpillar** children can change their books on **Tuesdays and Fridays**.

**Bumblebee** children can change their book on **Mondays and Thursdays**.

Mrs Troth will be on hand to help you find the books which are located just inside the Bumblebee door. You will need to fill out the reading record to show you have changed your child's books. Mrs Troth will show you how to do this. You can change books between 8.45am and 9.00am. For safety pushchairs will not be admitted to the building.

Staff will still hear children read weekly. Children who attend out of school club will be assisted by Mrs Troth if their reading records have been signed to show they have read at home. If you have any questions or worries about the new system please ask.

Yours sincerely

**Sarah Green**

**Vice Principal**