

Dear parents,

At Colley Lane Primary Academy, we are very proud of the progress we have made in reading over the last academic year and we would like to thank you for your support with this. As we begin the new academic year, we would like to share with you our whole school approach and vision for reading this year, as it continues to be a very high priority for us as a school. Please see below for important information:

Our vision statement:

At Colley Lane we:

Learn to read and read to learn.

Learn how to use a variety of reading skills.

Want children to become fluent readers with a love for books.

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In order for our pupils to make progress in reading we also need to be encouraging them to make the choice to read daily. Our home Reading Records will continue again this year and your son/daughter will already have been bringing their reading book and Record home. We need your continued support with this. **Our expectation is that all pupils read every day and record their reading in their Reading Record.**

We ask that you read with your son/daughter and sign their Reading Record to confirm that their daily reading has been completed. In Early Years and Key Stage 1, please sign daily. We also invite you to write comments reflecting on your son/daughter's reading. Please note that in Key Stage 2, (Year 3-6) we encourage pupils to fill in their own Reading Record and to write their own comments too. Please can you sign once a week to show that their daily reading has been completed. Please ensure a balance between colour banded school books and the library/free choice books selected by children. Thank you for supporting your son/daughter with this at home.

In addition, we are also pleased to announce that we will be sending children's free choice library books home with them too which will allow them to read for pleasure at home, as well as reading from their school reading book. Please ensure that your son/daughter looks after their reading books and that they bring both books to and from school each day.

Finally, we are launching our Read to Succeed challenge in every year group. All pupils will receive an A5 Read to Succeed mission card (which will be kept in their Reading Record), which sets them fun termly challenges for their reading. As pupils achieve each mission, they can take their card to their teacher to have that mission 'signed off'. In our special Reading Assembly at the end of each term, all pupils who have achieved all of the missions from their mission card will receive a special certificate. There will be a new Read to Succeed mission card for each new term.

If you have any further questions about reading at Colley Lane, please contact Mrs Oakley, Mrs Miller or Mr Dowling.

Kind regards,

The English Team