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Dear Parents/Carers,

Below is a gentle reminder on our reading expectations for your children.

At St Andrew's we believe that reading is not only enjoyable but a vital skill for all of our children to learn and master. We expect children to read every night at home and check this daily.

Early Years and KS1 (reception, Year 1, year 2)

All children in Early Years and KS1 will have a 'Book Band' reading book that matches their ability. They will receive a new book every **Monday**. The children will be asked to read this book each night which will help build up their fluency and understanding of the text. Comprehension questions will also be sent home which can be used towards the end of the week. It will be expected that all children's reading books will be brought into school every day and will be collected in every **Friday**. Over the weekend, the children in KS1 will be able to take a book home, of their choice, from our library. This will be a book to share and enjoy together.

KS2 (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)

All children in KS2 will be able to take a book home from the classroom or school library. The children will be supported in choosing these books to ensure the right level of challenge. These books are expected to be in school every day and it is the child's responsibility to change their book when needed. Some children will also have a 'Book Band' reading book to take home. This is for children who may need a little extra support with their reading. In this case, please use their free choice book to share and their 'Book Band' book to read each night to help build up fluency. Comprehension questions will be sent home with all children so you can support the children with understanding the text at home.

It is known that children who read with an adult every night will have a higher chance of making good progress across the whole curriculum. Also, reading is fun and there is strong evidence that children who read for pleasure have better educational outcomes (see overleaf).

If you have any questions at all, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Many thanks,

Miss Simmonds
English Leader