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Dear parents/carers,

New reading systems have been established across the whole school and we are all very excited about these. These have been introduced to the children this week and it has been lovely to hear how many of our children are enjoying the new texts.

Little Wandle

For our pupils who are still working within phonics phases 1-5, we have introduced an Early Reading government approved programme called 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised'. All books are matched to children's phonetic ability. They should be secure with every grapheme/phoneme in their reading book as this encourages confidence and a love for reading. In Early Years and Key Stage One, our main priority is to support children's early reading skills and therefore phonics teaching will be of utmost importance. Mrs Sawyer will be leading and delivering phonics and reading parent workshops this term for Early Years and Year One. These will help you to understand how to support your child at home and how the books are matched, as well as help you to support and promote a love of reading at home.

To learn about Little Wandle and find useful resources please use this link:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

You will be receiving login details to a Little Wandle e-library soon too!

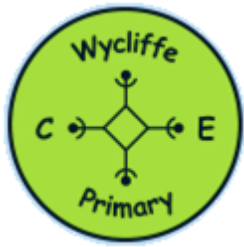
Accelerated Reader (AR)

As many of you know we launched AR during lockdown last academic year. We are now **not** using a colour band system within school but will be using decimal banding instead. AR's main focus is to encourage the comprehension skills which the decimal bands correlate with. The bands are broken up into:

- 0 - 0.9
- 1 - 1.9
- 2 - 2.9
- 3 - 3.9
- 4 - 4.9
- 5 - 5.9
- 6 - 6.9
- 7 - 7.9
- 8 - 8.9

Free Reader

Within each band there will be varying challenge. Class teachers will be encouraging children to select books within their band that interest them but ensure appropriate challenge. Every book will now have an orange sticker with a decimal on e.g 3.4. Once your child has read their book they must complete the AR quiz within 48 hours of finishing it, to enable them to succeed with the comprehension questions.



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Every class now has tablets for children to use each day to complete quizzes. Children have completed a reading assessment in school which has provided us with in-depth knowledge of where each child is on their reading journey along with next steps. This data correlates to the decimals to ensure that all children are accessing books that are appropriately challenging as well as providing enjoyment and a love of reading. We have invested money on brand new reading books that cover a range of genres and interests to launch our new exciting reading programme. As this is new to our Wycliffe community, we anticipate that there may be a few questions initially. Please work with us to support your children in a productive way.

To access a quiz at home, please use this link:

<https://ukhosted121.renlearn.co.uk/6706246>

Username: FredSmith

Password: Wycliffe

Myon

Myon is an online library with over 5,000 books to read. Similarly to AR, it focuses on children's understanding of the text and provides a short quiz once a book has been finished. The key to success with Myon, is to fully absorb the information within the texts so that children can be proud of their achievements when answering the questions. To access the online library, please visit:

www.myon.co.uk

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As always, we are here to help with any questions or queries regarding your child's reading.

Mrs Sawyer and Mrs Foster
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