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Dear Parents/Carers

As part of our commitment to reading we have invested in some additional reading books to help support children to more easily move from our RWI phonics scheme onto our banded books. This may mean that your child moves book bands in the coming weeks. As reading fluency is the main goal, it is important that the children understand that it is not a race to progress through book band colours. Their ability to read almost all of the words in a book with automaticity and intonation remains the top priority. This supports comprehension.

To support your child with their reading fluency, you could:

- read aloud to your child
- engage in assisted reading: Pupils read a text whilst listening to a fluent reading of the same text; and
- give them opportunities for repeated reading.

The majority of these books will be 'Big Cat Collins' books. These books also contain a range of activities in the back, which you can use to further enhance your child's reading and comprehension skills. Children will be assessed regularly by their teacher and progress through the book bands as necessary.

As always, children will also be encouraged to bring home a book to share with an adult to encourage reading for pleasure. This text may be a picture book or short chapter book depending on their interest and can be chosen from their class library or our wider school library.

If you require any further guidance regarding reading, please ask your child's teacher.

Kind regards

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