

# Stanford School



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Dear Parents/Carers

At Stanford we believe that becoming a lifelong reader is based on developing a deep love of reading. The big challenge for teachers and parents is not simply getting students to read – it's getting them to enjoy it too. Children who know what fun books are and how interesting they can be will be keen to learn to read.

We have already started our lunchtime library club with the support of Mrs Wink at the Stanford Library.



A group of enthusiastic and driven Year 6 boys have also organised a playtime reading club in school that will be held twice per week.

In order to encourage more children to foster this love of reading, we are continuing our Home

Reading Challenge. Recording the percentage of children who have completed at least three nights reading every week. We will continue to monitor class percentages and please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions or need support from us. We will be in touch with families who struggle to get this going, to offer our support. We will now also generate a whole school percentage, which we aim to improve weekly until 100% of our children are reading regularly at home.



Please remember that home reading should be age and ability appropriate, for example children who are at the start of the foundation year may record when they have shared a book with their family and chatted about the story or completed extra phonic work. Children in Year 6 who may prefer to read to themselves but will discuss their likes or dislikes related to the book. We are

happy for children to read books from home or school, use electronic devices such as kindles and read online stories or information, to read for real life purposes such as following a recipe or set of instructions. All of these may be recorded in the home reading diary.

The only rule that we have is that home reading should be super enjoyable and that it will motivate children to read, read and read some more! Thank you for your support with this and keep your eye on our reading page which will show our whole school percentage.

Yours sincerely

Miss Whiting