



St. Andrew's CE  
Primary School



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Good morning and welcome back!

It is so lovely to be starting a new term and we have lots in store for your children to ensure they have a successful year! Keep an eye on the class pages on the website to see what teachers have got planned.

As you know, we at St. Andrew's want to instil a love of reading. As such, we have been investing time and money over the past year to support children to be fluent and confident readers. The culture we aim to create is one where reading is at the heart of all that we do.

We have a robust reading curriculum where all children read daily using high quality texts. Our early readers also engage in daily phonics lessons and we offer interventions for those children who need an extra helping hand. Thank you to those people who volunteer to listen to our children read – it is much appreciated.

We have recently redecorated and restocked our library so that it is an enticing environment for our children to be in. Please feel free to come and take a peak before or after school!

To further support the children's reading, we know that reading at home is a key factor and we appreciate the support you provide with this. However, after taking parental feedback last year, we have made some changes to our expectations of reading at home.

Please see details for each Key Stage below and do speak to your class teacher if you have any questions.

Many thanks for your support,

Mrs Lombard  
Deputy Headteacher



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## EYFS/KS1 Reading Record Guidance

Children in EYFS and KS1 will bring home books that matches the level they are at in phonics. Children should read to a parent/carer at least three times per week. The parent/carer should then write a comment in the child's reading record.

When children read individually to an adult in school, the adult will also sign in the reading record.

Each time a child has three comments in their reading record, they will be awarded a starfish sticker.

When a child has 25 comments in their reading record they will be awarded with a certificate.

When a child has fifty comments in their reading record, they will be issued with a token to use in the library vending machine to select a free book!



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## KS2 Accelerated Reading (AR) Guidance

The feedback that we received was that for older children, reading records were not seen to be having a positive impact on children's progress. Therefore, we will be using an online system already in place in school to monitor children's reading at home.

In the first week of each half-term, Y3-Y6 children complete a STAR reading test which provides us with a range that the children select books from. This level is then communicated to children and parents/carers.

Children then need to visit the library to select a book. This book will be taken home daily to read with a parent/carer.

Once a child has completed a book, they are to take responsibility for taking an AR quiz at school. If the child scores 80%+ then they can select another book. If the child scores less than 80% then they should speak to their class teacher. The class teacher then needs to help the child select the next book. If children continually do not pass the quizzes then they should take another STAR reading test to check they have been set the correct level.

We will be implementing the following incentives to encourage children to read and take AR quizzes.

Word Count How many words children have read based on data provided by AR	Reward
100,000	Certificate
250,000	Certificate and starfish
500,000	Token for library vending machine
1,000,000	Special Star Prize

Quizzes Passed Based on data provided by AR	Reward
10	Certificate
25	Certificate and starfish
50	Token for library vending machine
100	Special Star Prize

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Any certificates or awards will be presented in a weekly celebration worship.

Please can ensure that you return all school books once they have been read.

Thank you!



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