



St. John's CE Primary School

Growing and learning together
Sharing the love of God

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many children completing the reading challenge last year and earning their badges. This year, the St John's Reading Challenge will start after half term on Tuesday 2nd November. Only reads from that date onwards will count and any reads before that date sadly cannot be included.

What counts as a read?

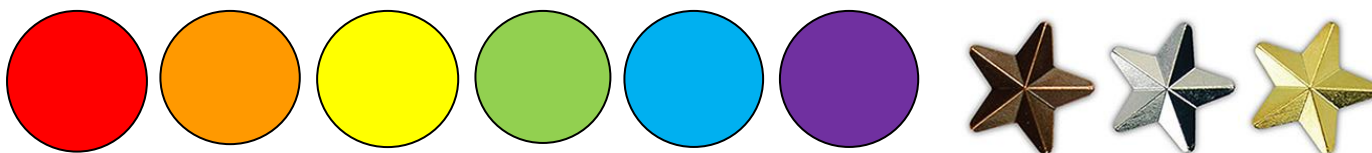
In reception, your child will need to read with an adult for 5 minutes to gain one 'read'. In year 1 and year 2, your child will need to read with an adult for 15 minutes to gain one 'read'. Your child can read as many times as they like during the day but only one of those reads will count towards their badges.

Does the reading record need to be signed?

Yes! All reads must be signed off by an adult and there should be an indication of how long your child has read for during that session (for example: 20 minutes).

How many 'reads' are needed to get a badge?

For each of the rainbow circular button badges, your child needs to complete 15 'reads'. For the gold, silver and bronze badges, your child needs to complete 20 'reads'. When your child completes the reading challenge, they will also receive a certificate from Mrs Aze. This year, we will also be awarding any children that complete 200 'reads' with a special reading prize.



When my child reads at school, will this count as a 'read'?

Your child will do lots of reading at school. This may be with a teacher, teaching assistant, a reading volunteer or independently. None of the reads will count towards their badges. The reading challenge is only for 'reads' completed at home.

If you have any questions about this year's reading challenge, please ask your child's teacher. Please encourage your child to read as much as possible at home because great readers also make great writers!

Kind regards,

Miss Williams
English subject leader and Year 2 teacher



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