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Dear Parents/Carers,

Here at St John's, we want to provide engaging books for you and your child to enjoy reading at home together! Recently, we have been re-organising the reading books in our library to ensure they develop the children's reading, in line with their comprehension understanding, as well as encouraging a love of reading.

'School Reading' Book

Children will now be expected to keep their book for a minimum of **two reads** which will enable them to read and re-read it. The first read should focus on sounding out, blending and reading the tricky words. The second read should focus on fluency, expression and understanding of the text. Please support your child to develop their reading skills by asking them questions about what they have read. The 'Help Your Child with Reading,' booklet, sent home previously and also available on the school website, offers lots of example questions that you can use for ideas. Both reads will be counted towards the Reading Challenge, as long as they take place on different days.

Love of Reading Book

Every Friday, the children are able to choose their own book to bring home and share with you. Please ensure this is in school ready to swap each week.

If you have any questions or queries regarding reading books at home, please speak to a member of staff.

Thank you for your co-operation and support.

Yours sincerely

Kendall Stuart-Smith English Leader

