



**Great Gaddesden C of E (V.A.) Primary School**

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Dear Parents,

### **Re. Reading books and Phonics Workshop**

#### **Reading Books**

We are very excited to be giving your child their first reading book this week. Your child's book will be changed on a **Tuesday (Mrs Letheren's key children)** or a **Thursday (Mrs Benson's key children)**. This book will be changed once a week, starting from Tuesday 2nd November/Thursday 4th November. The books will be matched to your child's ability and it should never be too tricky for them. The book will help them to practise reading with the sounds that they have already learnt with us in school. Please encourage your child to talk about what is happening in the book, using pictures and their phonic knowledge. The progress through each book band will reflect the children's development of their phonic knowledge and confidence.

Your child will benefit from reading with you at least three times a week. Please record each time you have read with them in their reading record. We ask that their book and reading record come to school in their book bag **every day** as they will also be reading with us in school.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions or queries.

Happy reading!

#### **Phonics Workshop 2.30pm Monday 8th November**

We look forward to welcoming you to our Phonics workshop next week! The objective of the workshop is to explain how we teach Phonics and the progression of reading and writing throughout Reception and into Year 1. We will be playing some fun Phonics games, as well as giving out resources to support your child with reading at home, and tips on how to support your child through their journey to learn to read.

Please come to the main reception at 2.20pm and you will be welcomed into the classroom for the session.

We look forward to seeing you all then!

Kind regards,

Mrs Letheren, Mrs Benson and Mrs Redman

*'Treat others exactly as you would like to be treated' (Luke 6:31)*