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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Reading at home

At Beanfield Primary School we know how important it is for teachers and parents to work together to give your child the best start.

Reading is a really important part of this and we ask that children read to an adult or peer at least three times a week. Reading is vital for inspiring children's imagination and exposing them to a vast amount of new vocabulary. As little as 10 minutes each day is enough to make a real difference.

We celebrate reading for pleasure through our weekly reading competition where each class competes to have the most children that have read three times that week. At the end of each term, the winning class from each key stage has a special treat afternoon. In addition, we also reward children with 1 Dojo point for 3 reads over the space of a week and 2 Dojo points if they have read 5 times. After Easter, we will be launching our 'Star reader' of the week where each year group will pick one child each week to receive a brand new book in order to recognise their achievements with reading for pleasure.

As we move forward with increasing our use of Class Dojo throughout the school, we would like to invite parents to use class portfolios to record their child reading for pleasure. This could be by posting a video of them reading or a photo with a couple of the sentences from your child summarising what they have read. This will replace reading being recorded in their reading records. However, if parents do wish to carry on using reading records we will continue to check these during this transition period.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Stanley Reading Subject Lead

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