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Dear Parents/Carers

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KS2 English Homework Information

As part of our homework expectation for English, all pupils are asked to read regularly at home. We encourage them to aim for 90 minutes per week if possible. Some of our pupils prefer to read daily in short bursts while others settle down with a book for a longer period of time. We reward reading at our school through our Reading Riches scheme where children earn achievement points, certificates and prizes as they read.

Pupils should record each read in their Reading Diary and we ask that you help them to record the number of minutes that they have read for and sign or initial alongside this in the relevant section.

English teachers will check reading diaries on a weekly basis and will tell their class which day of the week they will need to bring them to school. Teachers will contact you to offer support if your child is struggling to read regularly. However, please reach out to them as often as needed for help and advice.

Reading Diaries will contain a range of relevant login details for online systems used by pupils in English.

These are:

Accelerated Reader

Spelling Shed

Please note that they will also contain your child's current ZPD level and Reading Riches progress updates.

Please do not write urgent messages or those which are not related to reading in your child's reading diary – continue to use the regular channels for this purpose.

Weekly English homework for KS2 pupils includes:

- 1. Read for pleasure (aim for 90 minutes per week) and record each read in their reading diary (see above).
- 2. An online Spelling Shed task to reinforce spelling rules and patterns taught in the classroom and help prepare children for a weekly 'low-stakes' spelling quiz.
- 3. An additional task to support learning in the classroom if required. This could be a reading comprehension task, a grammar or punctuation task or a writing composition task.

Please do not hesitate to contact our team with any questions.

Yours sincerely

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Head of English

