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Dear Parents and Carers,

This year we are introducing a new way of recording when your child/children have read at home. '**Learning with Parents**' is a website that allows you to log when your child has read using a link which you will receive via email. Please see the attached flyer and watch the [video](#) for more information. The hope is that this is much quicker and more convenient way for share your child/children's reading at home with school.

As always, the school's expectation is that **all children read 5 times a week**. However, this looks different across Key Stages.

	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Reading expectations</u>
Foundation Stage	Foundation 2	Children to share books (from school or home) with their adults, discussing the pictures. Adults to read to their child and talk about the story afterwards. When children are sent home with a phonics story book the 5 reads should then be of this book.
Key Stage 1	Year 1	5 reads a week. At least 3 of those reads should be their phonics storybook.
	Year 2	No more than 2 of those reads can be a book of their choice.
Key Stage 2	Year 3	5 reads a week
	Year 4	At least 3 of those reads should be their colour banded book.
	Year 5	No more than 2 of those reads can be a book of their choice.
	Year 6	

At Abbey Primary, we pride ourselves on fostering a love of reading amongst the children through many activities such as "First Chapter" Fridays, time in our wonderful library, treasure chest books, book fayres, and daily story time. We want children to enjoy choosing what to read, reading about topics that interest them and developing personal interests in different genres and authors.

It is important that children are practising their reading skills and fluency with their phonics story books or book banded books to ensure they are being challenged appropriately; meeting their right level of vocabulary, sentence length and word structures at the right time.





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The first email link will be sent out on Monday 7th September and will usually be sent out between 3:30pm and 4:00pm. Please don't worry if you have any difficulties with it, we are here to help you. Please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance if you have any questions. Further information about the programme will also be shared at the upcoming "Meet the Teacher" parent meetings.

We hope that you find this new way of recording your child's reading more efficient and easier.

Many thanks,

Miss Bytheway and Mrs Townsend



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Fire



Earth

