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Dear Parents

Reading is one of life's most essential and enjoyable skills and something that we hope that all of our children will develop a love for as they move through the school. As a parent or carer you play a vital role in supporting your child's reading development and an effective partnership between home and school is essential for success with this life skill.

We have used the Go Read (or Boom reader as it is now) app for a couple of years as our method of recording occasions when school staff and parents listen to children read. We are aware that there have been some glitches with this recently which has made the app difficult to use. We are confident, however, that these glitches are now sorted and we ask that you join with us in recording when you listen to you child read. Older children, who have their own phone or tablet are also able to record their own independent reading in the same way.

Ideally we ask that you listen to you child read every day, even if they are a free reader. However, we also understand that this can be tricky to manage, so 3 times per week would be a good starting point. This ensures that the children have opportunities to not only develop their reading fluency and decoding skills but also their expression and comprehension.

If you already have the app, you are able to just log in and carry on, your child's class will have been updated. If you do not have the app, I am sending home information showing how to access it and how to register your child.

If you think that accessing or using the App will be a problem for you, please let you child's class teacher know and we will work with you to make alternative arrangements. If you have any questions or queries, please do contact me.

Yours sincerely

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