



St Clement's Reading Magazine



A half termly newsletter full of ideas to help your child become a better reader.

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Welcome to our half termly magazine focused on the wonders of reading.

This magazine will give you information about reading in school as well as ideas of ways to enrich reading experiences at home.

We believe that every child has the potential to be an amazing reader who loves books. Let's work together to make that happen for every child at St Clement's and St John's Infant School.

Home Reading Books

This week your child will be bringing home a levelled reading book. This book will match their current reading level.

Please support your child to read their book to you. Remember to praise and encourage them and model sounding out words they don't know. Read the same book more than once to develop fluency.

Teachers will ensure that all children have a new book each Monday. However, if your child has read their book several times and would like to change it for another one, they will be able to swap their book midweek.

Phonics Learning



Phonics is where the children learn the sounds of letter or groups of letters. If you want to remind yourself of the sounds your child is learning and how to pronounce them correctly, have a look at this support video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3HRX2ywbog&t=28s>



Reading Rewards

Each year we have a different theme for the reading challenges.

This year we will be completing the 'Rainbow' challenges!

Children will work through the stages of the colours of the rainbow.



On each day that you read with your child, please can you initial and date a box below. When your child has read 20 times and has shown their teacher they will receive a red dot badge to wear on their school uniform and a certificate awarded in Family Worship (Thursdays). Every time your child reads, could you still write a brief comment in their reading record, to let us know how they are doing.

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5		6		7		8	
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Date Achieved:

(staff member to date and sign)

Each day that you read with your child, **date and sign a square** on the special reading chart. Only once per day please.

Every day you read, the more prizes you will earn! The children will be rewarded for the stage that they are on at any point during the year.

Please aim to read with your child a minimum of **THREE TIMES PER WEEK.**

Caught Reading!

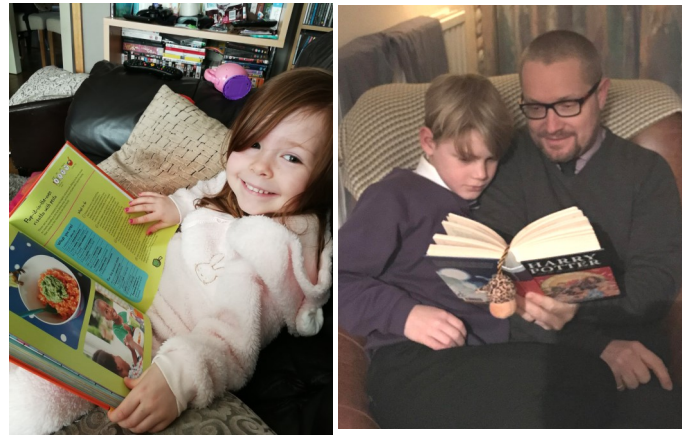


Reading Support Cards

We have parent / carer support card for each reading colour band.

They give you a few ideas of things to focus on when reading and sharing your child's school book.

The class teachers will put a card (for you to keep) into your child's bookbag when they are first moved onto a new reading book colour.



Email your own 'Caught Reading' photos to be published in the next edition.

Parents-stclements@coastalpartnership.co.uk

Home Reading Diaries

In your child's bookbag there is a St Clement's reading diary.

Use this diary to record each time you read with your child.

You need to read a minimum of **THREE TIMES PER WEEK**.

Every week the teacher will check the diaries and award children with a special sticker if they have read three times or more the previous week.

Make sure you record on the correctly dated page.



Bedtime Reading Books

Every Friday, children will be able to choose a bedtime story from their class to take home for you to read to them over the week.

This will be in addition to their usual coloured reading books which they will continue to read at home. The bedtime reading books need to be **returned on a FRIDAY**.

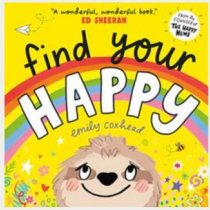
The children will be free to then choose a new book from the special bedtime reading book box. Your child cannot have a new book without returning their previous book.

Please look after these books so that others can enjoy them too.

These books are a great chance for you to share a new book at bedtime. The aim is for the adult to read to the child and to spend time together enjoying a good book!



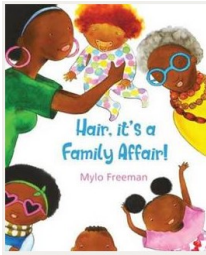
'Find your Happy' by Emily Coxhead



A young sloth loves feeling happy but some things make this tricky. This story shares ideas about how to deal with different situations and helps children learn about emotions.

Hair, it's a family affair! Mylo Freeman

This celebration of black hair, demonstrating the variety of hairstyles found in a single family, is another delightful read from Mylo Freeman: full of vibrant illustration and some simple text about elements of everyday life.



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Online Resources



www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/



Read books online - choose one from the bank on this website. You will need to register for a free account. Let us know which books are your favourite.

www.ictgames.com/forestPhonics/fullIV_public/index.html



This is a great phonics game for Year 1 and 2 children.

Phonics Challenge

Use your phonics to sound out these English words.

One point for each word. How many points can you win?

Remember...



jump
sleep
coats
hung
splash
playing