

Chestnuts Primary School

‘Encourage, Enable, Empower – the Chestnuts Way!’

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“You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax all you need is a book!” – Dr. Seuss

Wednesday 7th September

Dear Parents,

I am writing to tell you some exciting news about our book corridor. Over the Summer we have purchased thousands of pounds worth of books for the children to enjoy. However we have had to make some significant changes to how we change books and monitor reading across the school.

The biggest change is that the book corridor is no longer open to Parents. We are now asking that Children with support from their Teachers and Teaching Assistants change their own reading books. This will enable us to check each book in and out and ensure that all books are returned safely to school. Reading books should be cared for at home and will be changed 1-2 times per week depending on the level of the book.

When your Child is issued with a book it will be recorded in their reading record. There is a chart for each book band colour so that Teachers and yourselves can see how your child is progressing. With help your Child will be able to choose books they haven't read before and also look at the list of books and select titles that they may like.

As you can imagine creating this system has been a mammoth task. We are hoping that this is completed by this Friday and that all children will have a book to take home this weekend. If you have any books at home that belong to school then please can these be returned as soon as possible and they can be added to our new system before we start.

Enjoying books with your child is so important. We are still asking for Parents/ Children to record in their reading records every time they have read. This should be at least 4 times per week and is part of your Child's homework and will be monitored by their Teacher.

Thank you for your understanding while we make adjustments to our practice.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs J Fellowes
Assistant Head teacher

