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Dear Parents,

Reading at Home

Since September, we have been tracking the number of times children read at home. In September over 90% of the children in Small Blue class read the recommended three times a week at home. This week we are down to less than 40% of families reading regularly at home. Reading at home and at school is essential for children's literacy development to enable the children to be confident and fluent readers.

To help motivate children to read at home we are starting a House Competition after half term. If your child has read 3 times a week at home then they will be able to put a star on a chart, each team will need to get 10 stars to reach their rocket. When they reach their rocket there will be a prize for the children. We will put the stars and rockets in the cloakroom so you can see them in the mornings and cheer each other on. When you read with our child please date, sign and comment in your child's reading diary.

In addition to this the children are also bringing home their "**20 books in 2020**" chart. Please write the name of the book and the date that you read the book. This is a whole school incentive to encourage the children to enjoy a range of reading material at home.

If you would like support with how to engage your child when reading at home, then please speak to me and I can give you some handy tips.

Thank you for your continued support, it is really valued.

Miss Elsdon