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Dear Parents and Carers

At Middlefield we are committed to ensuring that our children become skilled and confident readers as well as developing a genuine love of books and reading. To support this at school, the children read regularly in guided reading lessons and have opportunities during the day to read in phonics, outdoor learning and the ICE zone.

We also encourage children to take books from school so that they can practice their reading skills at home as often as possible and therefore develop a positive reading habit for the future.

To support this, all children in KS1 will be rewarded for reading with an adult and having a "book talk" on 5 occasions. Comments need to be written in the Home Link book and need to be signed by a parent/carer to acknowledge that your child has completed a reading time. Home Link books will be checked each week and children rewarded for their efforts. Reading together everyday makes a huge impact on the progress your child makes.

There will be both weekly awards and termly awards for reading as we continue to encourage the children in their reading. It is also extremely helpful for a child's development as a reader if you ask them simple questions about what they have been reading, the characters in their story and about what they expect to happen next.

We hope you enjoy reading with your child.

Thank you for your continued support.

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On behalf on Middlefield Primary Academy (part of DLPT)