



Reading at Home

In order to embed phonics knowledge and support your child, as well as reading at school, it is vital that the children can read at home. Initially, this will involve sharing books with an adult but as your child progresses through the school they should become more and more independent. If reading at home is to be effective, it should take place regularly and become a habit for life as children find their own love for reading.

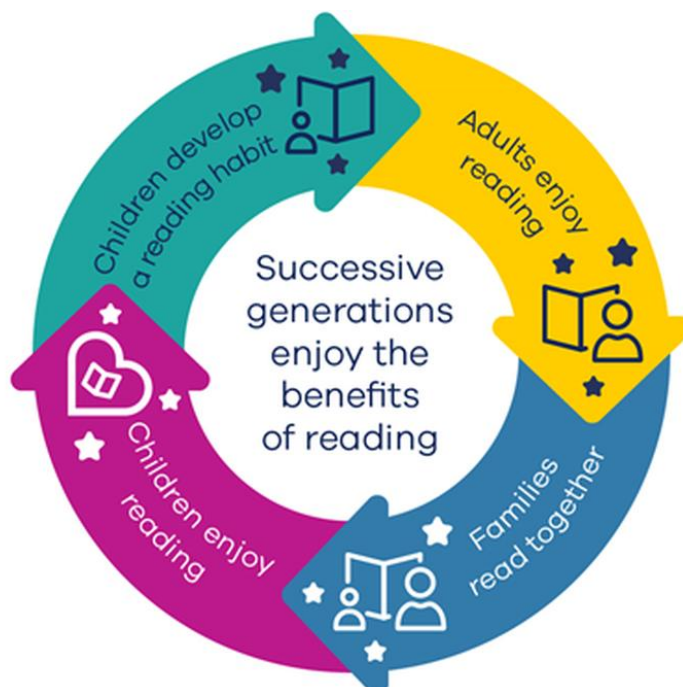
Sharing stories with your children helps them...



Guidance for Springs and Brooks

Children will have a reading record and books to take home each week in a reading folder. We ask that these are brought into school every day for reading sessions. The children will have read one of their two 'Read by Myself' books in class on Friday in the phonics session. We ask that children read these books at least 4 times during the week as well as once over the weekend. We ask adults to share the children's choice of 'Read with Someone' book and to have discussions surrounding the content, pictures, setting etc at home. During these early stages of learning to read, we encourage the children to read the same text many times until their expression, confidence and fluency develops. We ask that details of the books they have read be

written in their reading diary which we will check in school. Please be aware that a response is not always written in reading records, but we do read your comments and appreciate them.





Guidance for Streams and Rivers

We expect all children to read for at least 20 minutes 4 times a week as well as once over the weekend. We ask that an entry is made in their reading record each time your child reads. We like the children to take ownership of their own reading as they progress through the school, and they should write the title of the book and the pages they have read each night. This can of course be with the support of adults at home as we understand that for some younger children this can be more difficult. They may also be able to comment on an event of character. In both classes we expect children to have their reading books and reading record in school every day. It should be habit that they bring this in and out of school daily just as they did in KS1. We encourage the children to read books from home but may also make suggestions to them and guide them in their choices from the class or school library.