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Read to Succeed

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following our successful read to Rio campaign last year that encouraged children to read more we have set a new challenge of Read to Succeed.

Can you help your child be part of this exciting new challenge?

To further encourage reading at home and as part of our aim to improve stamina of reading, children will be encouraged to read as many books as possible between now and the end of the summer term.

Every time a child reads a book they will get a ticket to enter them into a year group prize draw. The winners will be able to select a book of their choice from the school book fair that will be running on both parents evening of Monday 3rd or Wednesday 5th April.

Reading is meant to be a pleasurable activity and so we are happy for children to read books of their own choice alongside their school reading books. These books will also count towards the prize draw providing it is written in their school diary. We also encourage parents to sign and make comments in their diaries about their reading and understanding of the books they read.

We all know that reading is the key that opens the door to all learning. We believe that the development of good reading skills is essential for success. This is because it is a skill that is not only an essential part of your child's English lessons, but a vital element of every lesson across the curriculum, and beyond.

Parents and other adults can play an essential role in encouraging a love of reading and an interest in books that will give a strong foundation that we can build upon at school. This will set children up for a lifetime of pleasure from reading. It is, therefore, vital that your child finds learning to read a rewarding and successful experience.

Kind Regards

Mr Flint. Deputy Headteacher



