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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Home Reading – Key Stage 2**

At Kenley Primary School, we recognise that improving our pupils' literacy through reading is key to their success in English, many other subjects and their future lives. We know from research from all over the world that children who read often and widely do better at school than children who don't.

Our approach to home reading in KS2 includes providing all children with a Reading Record.

### **Our expectations for children**

- To read for at least 15 minutes - either independently, with or to an adult or be read to – **five or more times a week**.
- Details of any reading is added to the Reading Record (eg page numbers), along with the date and any comments they might wish to make.

### **How can you help?**

Because we recognise the importance of parental support in developing children's pleasure and competence in reading, **we ask parents/carers to date and sign the Reading Record at least once a week**, in the column marked 'Comments'. This is important for a number of reasons, not least that it provides your reinforcement of the need to read regularly.

Children will bring home a book/s of their own choosing from their classroom collection or the school library. However, they are free (and encouraged) to read books, newspapers, magazines, online blogs of their own or borrowed from a library. Charity shops and local bookshops are other brilliant places to grab a good read too.

The centre pages provide some **Top Tips for readers, guides to grammar, language and punctuation** and **helpful spelling lists**.

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We thank you for your continued support in helping us to strengthen the abilities of our pupils and hope that this information will be of help to you and your child.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Jacki Keogh". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Mrs Jacki Keogh

Head of School

English Lead