

Dear Parents,

Reminder about Reading Records and reading at home.

Reading is a vital life skill, and this is reflected in the high priority reading is given in school. That said, children who enjoy reading, are motivated to read for pleasure and who understand the importance of reading to their lives are not made at school alone. We value the support and encouragement of parents in this endeavour.

Our expectation is that children read every night at home, and record what they read in their Reading Records.

Parents must comment in the Reading Record at least twice a week. This must not end in Key Stage 2, or when children have finished the reading scheme. By talking to your child about what they are reading, you are supporting them in developing their comprehension skills.

Each day the children are given time to put their books and Reading Records in their book bags yet still some children seem to be leaving them in school overnight. Children have been reminded that they must put their Reading Record in their book bag as they are checked every morning.

As a key to independent learning, success in reading not only has a direct effect upon progress in almost all area of the curriculum, but is also crucial in developing children's self-confidence and motivation to learn. By unlocking this ability and self-motivation to learn through reading, we hope that Ellenbrook children will become independent, lifelong learners.

Thank you for your support with this.

Ellenbrook Teachers

