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Dear Parents,

Reading is a lifelong skill which develops as a child journeys through our school. Even for some of our fluent readers it is still important to be read to or to be heard reading. In a drive to encourage the children to read more at home we are going to introduce Reading Karate. The children will be rewarded with Karate Reading Bands in the form of silicone wrist bands when they have read a certain amount of times. The list below shows the colour of band and the number of reads:

White – 15 reads
Yellow – 30 reads
Orange – 50 reads
Green – 80 reads
Blue – 110 reads
Purple – 150 reads
Red – 200 reads
Brown – 250 reads
Black – 280 reads

Every time your child reads at home this needs to be signed in the reading record by a parent or adult. Please note only one per day can be obtained. If a child reads more than once in the same day, then this is totally acceptable and above and beyond what is expected, but this will still only count as one read. If your child is still learning to read then you reading and sharing a book with them will count as a read. The children can wear their bands to school to show their reading prowess!

The number of reads will be counted up each Wednesday morning and the bands will be presented in assembly that day. As the term has already started and to make it fair for all children; we will start from Monday 1st October.

There will be a special reward for any child who achieves their black band by the end of the year. The final day for counting how many reads your child has will be Friday 12th July. We will also have reading challenges throughout the year when your child can earn extra reads!

I hope you will support us in this lifelong skill of reading.

Yours sincerely

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