Our Vision:

TO STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE



Our Mission:

TO GROW, LOVE AND LEARN FOLLOWING JESUS

## Reading at St Bernard's Strive for 5

Friday 8th September

Dear parents,

Here at St Bernard's we always strive to promote a passion for reading in our school community. We value the importance of the development of reading skills in order for children to access a stimulating curriculum and further enhance their learning.

This year we have new reading records. On the left hand side is where you record your child's 5 reads. **Please only use one page per week** (there is one page for each week of the school year). If your child reads more than 5 times a week, please record these extra reads in the 'Additional Reads' box. When your child has Guided Reading the teacher will keep hold of the reading record on that day to fill in the 'Guided Reading' box and it will be returned the next day.

There is also an additional box where you can communicate messages to the teacher about your child's reading or any other issues you may want to draw their attention to.

## **Reading Rewards**

The children will be rewarded with a reading dojo for every read they complete at home. As they earn the dojos they will be able to work their way along the reading rainbow and receive a certificate for every stage they reach. The aim being to achieve the Golden Book level and become a Reading Champion! Below are the number of reads they will need to achieve in order to reach the different levels of the rainbow. (This is based on the children reading on a regular basis over the whole year)

Red- 30 Orange- 40 Yellow- 50 Green- 80 Blue- 110 Indigo- 140 Violet- 170 Golden Book- 200 Children's reading achievements will be celebrated in our Friday Celebration Assembly.

## **Changing Books**

Children will need to bring in their reading record to school **every day** as the teacher will be recording when they have a guided reading session. They will have an opportunity to change their books on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Children in KS2 are encouraged to do this independently.

## **Filling in Reading Records**

KS1: All comments must be completed and signed by an adult.

<u>KS2</u>: For every 5 comments three of them must be written and signed by an adult. The other two comments can be written by the child, but must be initialled by an adult.

Thank you very much for your support. Miss Reid Assistant Head