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"A Place to Care, A Place to Grow, A Place to Shine"

"Train up a child in the way they should go and when they are old they will not depart from it" **Proverbs 22 v 6**

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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: New Reading Book Scheme

We are fortunate to have been able to invest in a brand new reading scheme for our Reception and Key Stage One children in line with the National Curriculum:

"Pupils need to develop the skill of blending the sounds into words for reading and establish the habit of applying this skill whenever they encounter new words. This will be supported by practice in reading books consistent with their developing phonic knowledge and skill and their knowledge of common exception words."

These new Collins Big Cat fully phonically decodable books will enable your child to practise their reading skills at home, applying the sounds they have been learning in school by blending (sounding out) the words.

We have given your child a named plastic wallet to keep inside their book bag. Please help us to keep our new books in good condition by storing your child's reading book and reading diary inside the plastic wallet to protect them and to prevent them getting spoiled. Could we ask that water bottles are not carried in book bags to avoid water spillage.

We will continue to issue your child with a new book every Monday, which they can keep in their book bag until Thursday, when all books will be collected in, in line with Covid-19 safety precautions. Your child will then be issued with a new book on Monday, provided they have returned their previous book.

The sounds and common exception words such as *the*, *do*, and *go*, that your child will encounter in the books are printed on the inside cover, so you can practise these with your child before they show off their reading skills to you.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please ask your child's teacher.

Mrs Wilson
Early Reading Lead

Wharton Church of England Primary School is an inclusive caring Christian community, committed to building futures for all children. We offer a safe environment where everyone is valued, we nurture strong relationships that are underpinned by our Christian values and we champion children to be the best that they can be, empowering all to aim high and achieve their full potential.

