



Thursday 18th July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Reading over the Summer**

During the summer holiday, we hope that your child will continue to read for pleasure and develop a love of books. Whilst we have asked children to return any school reading books at home that they have read, we have recorded any books that your child has chosen to read over the summer and would greatly appreciate it if you could please return the book/s to your child's next class teacher when we return to school in September.

### **Community Library Exchange**

Please feel free to browse the books in our Community Library Exchange in our school reception if you are looking for additional books to enjoy reading at home. Books can be accessed before and after school in term time and are available to all members of the school community. Thank you for your support and generosity in keeping this stocked. We hope that you enjoy reading some exciting and different books.

### **The Summer Reading Challenge**

The Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to keep your child reading and ensure they are better prepared to return to school in the autumn. Children aged 4-11 are invited to set a reading goal and collect rewards for their reading. It's FREE to take part and there are lots of free stickers, prizes and activities to keep children busy during the holidays.

Library staff are on hand to offer support and book recommendations and last year 72% of children felt more confident reading. This year, every child that registers is being entered into a prize draw to win arts and craft supplies and every school that has children participate is entered into a prize draw to win £100 worth of vouchers for their school.

Children can sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge in any Plymouth library or online at: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

There is a proven link between strong reading skills and academic success – great readers make great learners!

Thank you for your support. Have a wonderful summer holiday!

Mrs Low