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Dear Parent/ Carer

The Reading Challenge 2020-2021

At Nanpean School we believe it is important to make sure our pupils are confident, fluent readers who enjoy reading for life! Reading enjoyment is so important because evidence suggests that it has a positive impact on educational performance. Due to the previous success of our 'Reading Challenge', we will be continuing to reward reading with books!

Reception and Year 1 and any children not on AR

60 points—Certificate

120 points—Bookmark

180 points—Choose a book from the school box

250 points –Visit to a Waterstones to choose own book

Accelerated Reader

90 points—Certificate

180 points—Bookmark

270 points—Choose a book from the school box

350 points –Visit to a Waterstones to choose own book

The points are higher for Accelerated Reader. This is because they will be able to achieve bonus points for passing their AR quizzes. 2 bonus points for passing a quiz. 3 bonus points for passing a quiz and getting 100%. Please note: pupils can only do a maximum of three quizzes a week!

How will it work?

Pupils will earn points for reading activities at home. Only 1 point will be counted for each day (maximum of 7 points a week). Our school expectation is that all children (regardless of year group or key stage) engage in a reading activity at home at least 5 times a week.

What counts as a reading activity?

At Nanpean School, we recognise that reading enjoyment is developed through doing more than just reading a school reading book. Our pupils enjoy reading their own books or reading on a Kindle or even having a story read to them! All of these activities help our pupils to develop a broader vocabulary, increase general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. Because of this, all pupils at our school will have a library book as well as their school reading book to enjoy at home.

Read something electronically e.g. computer game, Kindle, etc.
Read a non-fiction text e.g. recipe, instructions, menu, etc.
Have someone read something to you.
Read a comic or magazine.
Read anything in a place you have never read before.
Read my school book.



How will the cancelled Reading Challenge from last year count?

Unfortunately, due to exceptional circumstances beyond our control, we had no choice but to cancel the Reading Challenge in March last year. We reassured you that we would think of a way to ensure that the points earned up to this point, would contribute in some form towards the new challenge. As a school we have decided to do the following:

1. The point totals for the challenges will remain exactly the same as last year. This is because, it will be fair for any new children joining our school who did not earn any points last year.
2. We will convert last year's prize points into bonus points for this year. These bonus points will be added to the first page of the children's new reading records. We decided to do 'bonus points' rather than just adding on the actual points earned last year because otherwise, some children would start the year having nearly completed the year's challenge already! There would then be no other incentives for them to continue to read and earn more points for the rest of the academic year.

We feel that this way acknowledges the children's reading effort last year whilst still ensuring they have something to work towards this year.

Prize point reached by March 2020:	Bonus Points to be awarded at the start of the year:	
	Reception/ Year 1 and any children not on AR 2020:	Accelerated Reader 2020:
Certificate	20	30
Bookmark	40	60
Book	60	90

Children will have brought their reading record home today and you can start to earn reading points immediately. However, they may not bring home their school reading book and library book until Friday by the latest. In the meantime, earn points by engaging in any of the other activities listed in the reading records.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely

Miss C Morton

Assistant Headteacher

