



SOUTH HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Building Character, Learning Together'

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Dear Parent/Carer

We have decided to improve early reading at South Hill by building greater links between the phonic sounds children are learning and the words they read in a book. To do this we are introducing the 3 Ps. By categorising books into the 3 Ps we believe we will be able to better support the development of your child's reading.

Moving forward, children in EYFS/KS1 will now bring home 3 books each week:

- **PRIME Book** – your child's principle book based on either the sound they are learning in their Read Write Inc phonics lesson or sounds they have learnt in previous lessons, which will develop decoding, blending and fluency.
- **POWER Book** – a reading scheme book from a different scheme, this will provide children with challenge and your child may need your help with this book. This book will develop skills needed to read such as comprehension, inference and vocabulary.
- **PLEASURE Book** – a book that your child has chosen from the school library or their class library to support a love of reading.

PRIME Books link to the story that pupils have read in their Read Write Inc lessons that week and will be sent home on a **Friday**.

POWER Books will be changed on a Monday in KS1 and on your child's reading day in EYFS.

PLEASURE Books will be changed when your child has their library slot.

PRIME AND POWER BOOKS SHOULD BE KEPT INSIDE YOUR CHILD'S READING RECORD AND BROUGHT TO SCHOOL **EVERY DAY**.

We thank you in advance for your support and your continued reading with your child at home.

Yours sincerely

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