



Wednesday 10th April 2024

Dear Parent/Carers,

Reading at home!

Reading is at the heart of our curriculum at Harden Primary School. We want to encourage all children to pick up a book and find enjoyment in a range of books and literature. With this in mind, we encourage children to practice reading at home, as well as at school with a range of books. Children visit the library each week, as well as bringing home a 'home' reading book as part of their work in class and we know that many children visit the local library/have books available to them at home. We encourage all children to read 4 times a week at home and record their reading in the home reading planner.

The competition ... We are launching a six-week competition, beginning on Monday 15th April 2024. This competition is for all years from REC-Y6. To take part in the reading competition, all the children must do is ensure that when they read at home, a minimum of 4 times a week, that they record what they have read in their reading records. They should read for a minimum of 5 mins (Reception/ KS1) and 10 mins (KS2) at a time. Then write the page numbers that they have read in their reading record. They can read any book from school, home, the library, a friend... just record every time they have read in their reading record.

What happens? Each week that the children complete 4+ entries into their reading planner, they will receive a raffle ticket into their class prize box. The more weeks that they complete the challenge, and earn a ticket, the greater their chance of winning!

What is the prize? After the 6 weeks, a winner from each class will be drawn and taken for a trip to visit the independent bookstore in Salts Mill to choose some new books for their class and to select themselves a new book to keep, along with refreshments.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to hearing lots of recommended reads across the different classes.

Kind Regards

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Head of School