

5th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your support over the first few weeks of the new school year. This letter is to clarify our expectations for reading at Lakeside Primary Academy.

All children have been given their reading record and home reading books. New books will be issued on a Monday and as reading records do not need to be quarantined, they will also be sent home again the same day. However, the adults at school will sanitise their hands before and after handling and writing in your child's reading record. Please send in any finished reading books to school on Friday and they will be quarantined for the recommended 72 hours. It is expected that your child reads at least 2/3 times each week and that this is recorded in their reading record by an adult.

Your child may bring home a book from a different book band to their usual colour, this is to ensure that we are gaining the children's confidence of phonics, fluency and comprehension as well as promoting their reading for enjoyment.

All children will access guided reading sessions which are designed to improve children's reading skills. Identified children will also read to an adult in school regularly and have separate books available to them to avoid cross contamination.

In the past we have conducted visits to Clifton Library, unfortunately these visits can not be arranged at the moment but we are hoping to start them up again in the future. Although we can't currently visit the library, they have asked us to let you know that the library is open for family visits. Please see the following video for an insight on what to expect on your visit.

<https://www.exploreyork.org.uk/welcome-back/>

Thank you for your continued support.
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