

Thursday 23rd October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Burton, we believe that regular reading is one of the most important foundations for your child's learning and long-term success. To help every child develop into a confident and enthusiastic reader, we ask that all children read **at least five times a week** and that this is **recorded in their reading journals**.

For our reception children, a 'read' can include a variety of valuable activities to build early reading skills:

- Watching a **Read Write Inc. (RWI)** short video (QR codes will be sent via the class teacher)
- Playing **Fred Talk** games
- Practising **red words**
- **Listening to an adult read** and discussing the story together

These activities help build phonics, vocabulary, and a love of reading.

For children in Year 1 and Year 2, their daily reading should focus on the **two books they bring home from school**. Re-reading books supports fluency, comprehension, and confidence. Please ensure your child reads aloud to an adult where possible and encourage discussion about the story and any unfamiliar words.

To celebrate and encourage regular reading, we are excited to introduce our **Star Reader** rewards.

Children who read **at least five times a week** and have this recorded in their reading journal will:

- Receive a **Star Reader sticker** on Friday
- Have their name added to the class **Star Reader board**, proudly displayed in each classroom window

Regular practice really does make a difference, and we greatly appreciate your support in helping your child build strong reading habits.

If you have any questions or would like further support with reading at home, I am always happy to help—please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

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