



Dear Parent/Guardian,

To celebrate and encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we will be running a sponsored read between **Monday 8th – Monday 15th March 2021**.

The project is being organised in conjunction with our Usborne Organiser, Ally Bennett and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school.

We value the importance of children understanding stories, learning new vocabulary and listening to fluent and expressive reading. We have started to develop a 'Family Library' in our school in which children take home a 'Family Sharing Book' each week to share with members of their family, not necessarily a book they can read independently. We are keen to develop this further to provide a wide range of high quality texts that are rich in language and culture, so all the money raised will go towards new books for our family library.

In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total raised in **EXTRA FREE BOOKS** to the school. So for every £600 raised, we will get an extra £360 in **FREE** Usborne books!

Please help us to enhance our reading resources for our children by encouraging your child to spend a small amount of time each day either reading to themselves, to others, or being read to. They can read books, comics, magazines, newspapers, menus, websites, recipes, poems, leaflets, instructions – anything with words!

If you are able to support our sponsored read, please find attached a sponsorship form for your child. A reading log (for your child to record how many minutes they have read) and an envelope (to collect the sponsor money) will come home with your child on the first day back (**Monday 8th March**), so keep an eye out for those.

After the sponsored read, please send all the sponsorship money that your child has raised (**in the envelope provided**) in **your child's book bag** and remind them to hand the envelope to their teacher. The money needs to be handed in no later than **Friday 19th March**.

PLEASE DO NOT TAKE YOUR MONEY TO THE OFFICE. THIS IS TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE GATEHRING AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF OUR SCHOOL.

We look forward to having lots more books for you to read, share and enjoy as a family at home.

Miss Justice.