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Dear Parents and Carers,

Research consistently shows the lasting benefits of regular reading in childhood. A large-scale OECD study concluded that:

"Reading for pleasure is the single most important indicator of a child's future success, even more than their family's socio-economic background."

To support this, we are launching a new whole-school initiative in KS2 called:

★ *Reaching for the Reading Stars* ★

From next week, you will notice a new **reading pathway** inside the cover of your child's home reading diary. This pathway has been designed to motivate and reward children for reading regularly at home and getting their diary signed.

How it works

Children choose one of two pathways:

- **Standard Pathway** – reading **at least 4 times a week**
- **Ultra Pathway** – reading **at least 6 times a week**

Each week, when reading diaries are checked, children who have reached their pathway target will have a box on their pathway signed or stamped.

Children who read fewer than 4 times will still have their reading acknowledged and can catch up the following week. The path will be signed as soon as 4 or 6 reading sessions are completed.

Reading more than once a day is allowed – if it is recorded by an adult at home. Children do not need to read their entire book, a few pages is also sufficient.

Rewards

- Children who complete their reading pathway by the end of the year will be entered into a **prize draw** to win a variety of vouchers.
- Ultra Pathway readers will have their names entered **twice** into the draw.
- Everyone who completes their pathway will also enjoy a special summer reward of **an extra breaktime with squash and play equipment**.

We will encourage your child to choose the pathway that feels realistic for them, and to support them in recording their reading at home.

Yours sincerely,

Mr H Andrews
KS2 Phase Leader

