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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you of a new and exciting reading incentive for the children of Park Grove Primary Academy!

A Reading Bingo challenge sheet has been given to your child which contains a set of 'challenges' for them to complete, all reading-related. There is an EYFS / Key Stage 1 challenge sheet and a Key Stage 2 challenge sheet which are age-appropriate and some are linked to the different topic that each stage is currently working on in class.

The aim of Reading Bingo is to help encourage and promote reading for pleasure as well as to encourage your child to try new books and activities related to reading. Reading is not just something that children should do in school; it should be an everyday part of our lives, something we choose to do at all ages and we hope that Reading Bingo will help with this for our children. At Park Grove this is something that we strongly believe in!

The UK Reading Agency has shown that there is strong evidence linking reading for pleasure and educational outcomes. Whilst academic attainment is of vital importance, the benefits of reading for pleasure go beyond this and stretch throughout a child's life.

How Reading Bingo will work:

- Over each half term we would like the children to attempt as many challenges as possible on their Reading Bingo sheet.
- A sticker will be awarded from their class teacher for children who achieve a horizontal or vertical line with completed tasks.
- Children who complete a full house will be entered into a Key Stage prize draw for a chance of winning a book of their choice to the value of £10.
- Proof must be shown of tasks being completed. For example a photograph, your signature or written evidence. Evidence must be brought into the class teacher to be checked and signed off the bingo sheet. This will further promote the wonderful reading that your child has completed at home and will be shared with their classmates.
- Any books can be used for Reading Bingo to help the children complete their challenges; library books, school books or books at home.
- Please return your child's Reading Bingo sheet for the final 'full house' deadline on Wednesday 18th December (the last Wednesday of the half term).
- Please look after your Reading Bingo sheet as if lost, the tasks will need to be completed again.



If you have any questions or comments about Reading Bingo, please do get in touch with us.

Happy reading!

Kind regards,

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