



Thank you so much for all the support you give your child with their home reading. It is greatly appreciated. We are changing the amount of times we change reading books, because we want the children to develop mastery in their reading– developing fluency, comprehension and rapid recall. In order to do this, they need to re-visit the same book on a number of occasions. We will now only change books on MONDAY. When your child gets their new book, please could you follow this routine over the week?

Day 1– Talk about the cover– What do they think the book might be about? Why? Point to the title– can you read it? Does the title have any special friends in it (two letters that make one sound)? Discuss the author and the illustrator, talk about what those people do.

Inside the front cover ask your child to read the Story Green Words . Green words can be sounded out. Then ask them to read the red word/s. These are tricky words, so cannot be sounded out. Write the red word on some paper and play some of the tricky word games (included in the previous pack sent home).

Day 2

Recap what you thought the book might be about and speed read the green and red words inside the front cover. Go on a red word hunt through the book. How many can you find?

Start reading, but stop and discuss each page. Ask your child what is happening at each point in the story.

Day 3

Re-read to develop fluency, this time your child should be able to start reading without needing to sound out the words as much.

Day 4

Re-read again, developing further fluency, then ask the questions inside the back cover of the book. You could make some more of your own questions up– what, when, why, where how.

Day 5

Re-tell the story using the pictures in the back of the book to support them.

Day 6

Re-tell the story without picture prompts.

Day 7

Write out the answer to a question or questions (from the back of the book) in a full sentence-

E.g. What colour are the spots?

The spots are red.

In addition to this, please read to your child as often as possible to develop their love for books.

Many thanks for your continued support.

