



Hoxton Garden Primary School

Dear Parent/Carer,

Reading is one of the most important skills that children learn whilst at school and we expect all children to take books home to read.

In school, we spend a lot of time promoting a love of reading. If developing a stamina for reading remains a barrier, it can limit children's enjoyment and understanding of books. Therefore, there is no better time to encourage the habit of reading. With this in mind, we are establishing our expectations around the recording of children's reading in their Home-School Learning Diary.

Your child's class teacher will record one question every week in your child's diary to let you know how they are progressing with their reading in school. In return, we will expect you to read with your child for 10 minutes every night and record this in their diary. In EYFS and Year 1 diaries, you will notice that your child will bring home two books. One will be their phonics reading book and the other will be their banded reading book. A circled 'P' inside their reading diary will indicate which book relates to their phonics.

Your child's diary should be brought back in to school every day. Each week, your child's teacher will do a diary check and celebrate those that have been completed.

Please see an example on the back.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak with your child's class teacher

Yours sincerely,

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Date when you have read with your child.

Have discussions about the text e.g. characters, storyline or what might happen next. You can use the questions at the front of the diary or on the book mark.

VIRIDIS SCHOOLS HOME SCHOOL LEARNING DIARY

Date	Book/Page Homework Activity	Comments
7/9/20	Make a Monkey	Fantastic Mason it's like you have read this before. 😊 excellent!
8/9/20	Sanjay stays in bed (P)	Very good Mason a little slower than "make a monkey", but great reading. May need to step up the level of books.
9/9/20	MR BUSY'S Post a letter book (MR MEN)	Mason has started reading this. half way through as it's quite a long book nice and challenging for Mason.
10/9/20	MR BUSY'S Post a letter book	Good reading Mason. needed a little help with some long words and lost concentration today. Managed to finish book still. well done.
11/9/20	kitty Cat (red)	Mason read very well! Did not struggle with any words and constructed the sentence provided super fast! 😊
10/9/20	MR MEN Adventure in the ice age	Excellent reading Mason. keep up the the hard work we will finish this book tomorrow.

12 thank you for reading everyday 😊

Check the 'P' so you know which book is your child's phonics reader.

Work in partnership with the school and feedback on the reading experiences you have had with your child every evening.

Allow your child to have a go at new words by helping them sound them out.
 "What is the first sound?"
 "Sound out the letters and blend them together."

Encourage and support your child to help them develop a love of reading.



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