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Dear Parents/carers

Oxford Reading Buddy

We are delighted to tell you that we are continuing to use *Oxford Reading Buddy* to support reading at home. This is a digital reading service to support children's reading development at home as well as at school. This is to be used in addition to the phonic reading book which is selected by the class teacher and sent home weekly.

Oxford Reading Buddy contains hundreds of digital books and book-quizzes that support children's reading and comprehension. Children can earn badges for good reading behaviours, be coached in their understanding by their personal 'Reading Buddy', take quizzes and record all the reading they do. Everything is captured so that your child's teacher can see how they're getting on.

- Each child has their own log in details and can access the website at home. The log in details are new for every child this year. These logins will be stuck in your child's Home School Diary.
- The class teacher sets an appropriate level for your child to allow them to practise their reading skills.
- The child reads the books in each level and can access the quizzes linked to particular books.

Please log in to *Oxford Reading Buddy* as this is an additional resource children can use to support their reading development. You might be interested in watching them reading one or two of the Coaching eBooks because Reading Buddy is a good model of how to support and encourage children's comprehension skills as they read.

When your child is taking a quiz, please try to provide a quiet workspace for them, but resist the temptation to help them because their answers will help your child's teacher understand their needs.

If you don't have a tablet or PC at home, the service works on smartphones as well.

For more detailed information, go to this address and choose Parent Support: <https://support.oxfordreadingbuddy.com/> or look at the introductory video at <https://www.oxfordreadingbuddy.com/uk> .

We really hope you will make use of this fantastic resource at home and use it frequently to support your child's interest in reading.

Yours sincerely

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