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A Million Minute Read.

Dear Parents/carers,

During a school council meeting, the children have asked for a whole school reading activity. So we are going to be taking part in the challenge of all challenges. A Million Minute Read. Yes, one million minutes of reading. This will be a great challenge for us to get behind as a whole school and there are many ways that everyone can get involved.

Pre-school children right up to year six are asked to be read to, or encouraged to read as often as possible. Every time a pupil reads, their minutes can be logged on their individual sheets which are to go home with them with their reading records and then returned to school every Friday, when I will collect all minutes read and tally them up. There will also be a Star Reader for each year group (the child who has read the most minutes) and those winners will get a special mention on the weekly newsletter.

There will be a small number of reading events throughout the duration of the challenge, such as lunchtime stories, reading with teddies and having a teddy bears' picnic, maybe a read with grown-ups similar to what we did for World Book Day and potentially another book swap. These activities will all hopefully help us reach our goal of a million minutes and keep us all engaged.

I estimate that it will probably take us to the end of this academic year to complete, but with support and encouragement I know we can succeed.

Reading minute logs will be sent home next Friday, along with a bookmark which they can colour and then use.

Many thanks

Mrs Wilson

