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Dear Parents/Carers

As we continue to fully implement the 'Little Wandle' phonics programme here at Horsley School, we would like to update you on a change we are making to reading books.

We are excited to let you know, that thanks to our amazing FHS, we have now purchased an eBook library subscription of the 'Little Wandle' books online. This provides access to 254 fiction and non-fiction books that your child can read on a phone, tablet, iPad or laptop. Attached to this letter is a help sheet that explains how to access the eBooks with your child's personal login details.

Your child's class teacher will assign an eBook every Thursday, to read at home on a device, which matches the book they have been reading in school. Your child should be able to read this book fluently and independently, as it has been carefully matched to your child's current reading level. If your child is reading it with little help, please do not worry that it is too easy - your child needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading. Listen to them read the book - celebrate their success! If they cannot read a word, read it to them and, after they have finished, talk about the book together.

This change has occurred to ensure that we have the correct books in school for our 'Reading Practice Sessions' at all times. Your child will continue to bring home their yellow 'Reading Record' for you to comment in. Along with the eBook every child will take home a 'Sharing' book which is for you both to read and enjoy together. In order to encourage your child to become a lifelong reader, it is important that they learn to read for pleasure. The 'Sharing' book is a book they have chosen from the school library for you to enjoy together. Please remember that you shouldn't expect your child to read this alone - read it to or with them. Discuss the pictures; predict what might happen next; use different voices for the characters; explore the facts in a nonfiction book. The main thing is that you have fun! There will be opportunities to change the 'Sharing' book twice a week.

Please do speak to your child's teacher if you have any issues with accessing the 'Little Wandle' online reading platform, as we want to ensure that all children continue to read at home.

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs Everett and Miss Ind-Smith



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