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Remote Learning Offer for Reading

Dear Families,

As you continue to support your children with their Remote Learning at home during this national lockdown, we wanted to update our offer of support with reading.

The school website remains updated with online reading options, and this link below will take you to the relevant page:

Alsager Highfields Primary School: Online reading and writing resources

Some of these websites will require you to initially log in with your email address and they were all free resources when they were added to the page and should still be, therefore not requiring you to add any other details.

Oxford Owl also allows a different route of access through a class username and password, and they have announced that they will release more even more ebooks through this student portal than in this current selection during the month of February. These include books for RWI in the Read Write Inc ebook Library, book banded levels in the Oxford Owl ebook Library and levelled audio books in the Word Sparks Library.

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/login?active-tab=students

We would appreciate it if as a family you could access through your oldest child's class groupings username and password, as this would help our access numbers as they are limited per grouping.

Class Teacher or year	Username	Password
group		
Mrs Millichap, Mrs	AHighfields1	ReadingStars1
Henshall & Mrs Harry		
Miss Keatman &	AHighfields2	ReadingStars2
Mrs Lindblad		
Mr Golds & Mrs Windel	AHighfields3	ReadingStars3
Year 5	AHighfields4	ReadingStars4
Year 6	AHighfields5	ReadingStars5

We have also been made aware of the offer from the local library service here in Alsager, where you email the library and tell them the type of books that you are wanting and they then gather a bundle ready for you, that you can collect from the



open porch. It sounds like a fabulous service, picking up your lucky dip of books for the whole family, whilst supporting this valuable service that they provide.

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/libraries/nearest_library/alsager

From next Tuesday 2nd February, each class teacher will have selected a couple of correctly levelled books for your child that you can come to school to collect. This will be based on their most recent assessed level, whether that be RWI, Book Banding level or Accelerated Reader ZPD. For this first week there will be books ready for each child, labelled and in their class box, which will be under the veranda at the main school site for all year groups. These can be collected any afternoon, between 1:15-2:30pm, via access from the main front gate near to the park. After this first set of books for your child, if you require a new set of books to swap in the following week, you must email your child's class teacher by the end of the day on Thursday, allowing the teachers the time to get the next set of books ready. Again, you will be able to collect these during the afternoons in the following week. There will be class return boxes for you to help us to rotate our valuable book stock and would like to assure you that books are quarantined for 72 hours once they are returned to school, as they have been all this academic year.

Reading is not only an enjoyable and relaxing past time, but it is key to your child's confidence in all areas of their education and helps to develop their vocabulary, understanding of the world, empathy for others and to enhance their imagination.

Please help us to support your children by ensuring that your children read and are read to regularly. When we all return to school, we shall be celebrating those children that have managed to keep up with their record of reading in their Reading Diary, so if you have not though of doing this with your child so far, please could you start this with them from next week.

Best wishes,

Mrs Windel - Reading Lead.