

Dear Parents/guardians,



Home Reading Expectations:

Years 5 & 6

At Hanbury's Farm we are committed to developing a lifelong love for reading within our pupils and we acknowledge that home reading is a vital part of achieving this.

On Friday this week, your child will receive their new home-reading books and diaries. These are banded books and the children will work their way up through the bands over the year depending on how often they read at home. Pupils are assessed termly to ensure the reading band given is appropriate for them.

We ask that your child bring in their home-reading book and diary into school **daily**; this is so that children are able to change their books as often as required and always have their books available if asked to read to an adult in school. Every **Friday**, an adult will check and sign your child's diary. We ask that you sign their diary, every time they read at home. As reading is so important to children's future successes, it is an expectation that books are read and signed at least 3 times weekly. Children who have had their diaries signed will receive a house token and exceptional effort will be rewarded in assemblies at the end of each term.

Our school also uses the Reading Plus program to help your child become a better reader. Reading Plus helps students to develop the skills they need to be proficient readers and lifelong learners. Through regular Reading Plus practice, reading will become easier, comprehension will increase, and your child will make meaningful connections between reading and learning. To learn more about Reading Plus, visit www.readingplus.com.

In school hours, your child will have the opportunity to use the Reading plus programme twice weekly, however, for the programme to have the most impact, it is advised that five sessions a week would be most beneficial. Therefore, we strongly encourage children to continue to use this programme at home (three times a week preferably). The program will keep track of assignments completed each week as well as your child's progress towards the overall lesson goals.

To complete the Reading Plus assignments, your child will need a computer or tablet with internet access. Assignments in each component can be completed in any order, but please remind your child that Reading lessons are the most important assignments.

Please contact your child's class teacher if you need help, have any questions or need the login details for Reading Plus resending.

How to Log In:

Step 1: Go to login.readingplus.com.

Step 2: Press the Student Login button.

Step 3: Enter Site Code: rphanbu1

Step 4: Type Username: [See login sheets created by teachers](#)

Step 5: Type Password: [See login sheets created by teachers](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Dunning and Mrs Griffiths

(English coordinators)