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The Power of Reading

Dear parents / carers,

At Riverside, we want to enable our children to become confident, independent readers, reading a wide variety of material accurately, fluently and with understanding for enjoyment and information. We want to develop enthusiastic and reflective readers. This year, we have introduced The Power of Reading approach.

The Power of Reading is about teaching reading and writing through the use of high quality books and creative teaching approaches. Children are immersed into the text through music, art, drama, discussion and role-play. Other approaches include responding to illustrations, 'Book Talk', story mapping and book making. Children take ownership of the text and engage with it deeply. It also enables children to deepen their understanding of texts and provides a meaningful context for writing.

Reading aloud is also a key part of the Power of Reading. The strategy enables all children to access the quality texts. Reading aloud also enables the teacher to model expressive and fluent reading to the children.

What books will the children be using this term?





Hedgehogs & Robins







Kestrels





Woodpeckers & Kingfishers



Badgers



Owls



Squirrels

Teachers will update their curriculum overviews each term, where you will be able to find out what book your child will be using.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Kind Regards, Miss Zeuli, English Subject Leader







