SEATON DELAVAL FIRST SCHOOL
Believing and Achieving Together

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Dear Parents/ Carers

We are having a whole school focus on improving pupils reading throughout the school.

Reading is such an important skill to master and is essential for all aspects of school. To improve the standard of reading further we will target the following:

- decoding words [reading words by sight or breaking them into sounds to build the words];
- comprehending language [what does the sentence mean].

In school adults hear all children read at least **twice** every week with some children reading **daily**. We need your help to make sure that all children read regularly by hearing your children read at home. Research proves that children who do not read regularly struggle with all aspects of education and other subjects. When you are reading at home can you ask your child questions about the page they have read to you, predict what might happen next in the book and talk about the whole story [summarise].

Please remember to mark your child's home-school [purple] diary when you read together at home. When a child has read 3 times at home they get a sticker for their bookmark and when the card is full they get a 'lucky dip' prize.

If you have any questions please ask your child's teacher.
Thank you, in advance, for your help in hearing your child read regularly.

Kind regards,

Mr. Flitcroft

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