

Friday 28th July, 2023

Dear parents/guardians,

I hope you and the children are enjoying the summer break and making the most of the albeit sporadic bouts of good weather.

I would ask that you continue to encourage your child to read at their leisure during these bright summer nights.

All of our Primary 4 to Primary 7 children who return to class in late August were informed at the end of the school year in June that they will be able to take Accelerated Reader tests upon returning for any books that were read during the summer months, so please feel free to use this as an extra incentive.

There really is no substitute for independent reading as a means of developing children's imagination, vocabulary, reading fluency and grammar/ punctuation/ spelling awareness, so we will always seek to use any and every opportunity to promote and incentivise the children to continue developing their love for reading.

We are currently stocking up on more books for the children to enjoy reading in the new academic year, and are grateful to the many parents who donated books at the end of June.

More information will follow about the return to school arrangements-scheduled for Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August- nearer the time.

Kind regards,

C Donnelly Principal