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Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Parent Reading Mornings

We are very excited to reintroduce our 'Parent Reading Mornings' for this year! These mornings will take place every three weeks and will be an opportunity for you to spend time reading with your child in their classroom first thing in the morning from 8:50 – 9:15 am. We endeavour to make arrangements for siblings to also connect during these times, making these mornings enjoyable for all.

'Reading has tremendous power when it comes to fuelling the development of all aspects of language ability.' It is a vital part of your child's education. At Rockliffe Manor children have access to a wide range of books in their classrooms and we are continuing to work hard to raise the profile of reading and 'reading for pleasure', and consequently would like to invite parents in on a regular basis to read with your children in the classroom.

The first Parent Reading Morning will take place on Wednesday 5ⁿ October. Please see below the timetable that will then commence from Autumn 2.

Parent Reading Morning
Autumn 1
Wednesday 5th October
Autumn 2
Thursday 3rd November
Thursday 24th November
Thursday 15th December

We hope that many of you will take this opportunity to spend time sharing a favourite book with your child and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Alongside our Parent Reading Morning we will also be re-launching our 'Going for Gold Reading Challenge' that focuses on book talk and breadth of reading, rather than just the number of books read.





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This week, your child will bring home their first challenge card. There are three in total to be completed over the course of the academic year; bronze, silver and gold. Each card has 8 reading challenges that are appropriate to that year group. You will find challenges that encourage your child to read each day, read a wide variety of books and also share their reading with friends, teachers and family. Your child will receive a certificate in assembly for each level completed, and once they have completed the whole challenge they will also receive a Rockliffe Manor bookmark.

Once your child has completed a challenge, please initial and date the circle next to it. Any challenges that have a written element e.g. book reviews, can be recorded in your child's 'Homework Book'. Some challenges involve your child sharing their reading with a friend, their class or their class teacher. When your child is ready they can ask their teacher to do this. Class teachers will be checking the reading challenge cards regularly, so please make sure these are kept in your child's book bag each day.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you all in our classrooms on the 5th October.

Yours faithfully

Nancy Cook Associate Headteacher

