'Respectful and resilient; being the best that we can be.'



Timothy Hackworth Primary School





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## **Reading Scheme Books at Timothy Hackworth**

## CRC Article 28 – All children have the right to a good quality education.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Teaching children to be the best reader that they can be continues to be our top priority at Timothy Hackworth.

We have recently purchased a significant number of reading books to further help children with their reading at home. We appreciate your support with listening to your child read. It really does make a difference; even 10 minutes a night can really make a difference! Your child will need to reread their reading book throughout the week; your child's book will then be changed once per week. It is important that your child rereads their reading book to practise their reading skills.

You may notice that your child will bring home a reading book which is at an easier level than the one they have had before. This is because we want your child to practise their reading 'fluency', which can only improve when they are familiar with a text and are not struggling to 'decode' or 'grapple' with the reading of new words. So, in school, when we are teaching reading in lessons, your child will be actually reading a book of a higher coloured level, which means it is more difficult than the reading book they are taking home. So, your child's reading book is their, 'See what I can do' book. You will be able to see what your child can do as a reader on their exciting reading journey!

We are keen for your child to make the most progress possible in their reading, so our reading scheme books have been very carefully structured, to make sure that their home reading book is at the right level to improve their fluency.

Once again, your help to hear your child read is very valuable here, as you can support your child to improve their reading fluency at home. We would welcome your support to check your child's understanding of the vocabulary in their reading books, even words which you think they may already know. Asking questions about the text would also be very helpful to check your child's understanding of what they have read.

Should you have any questions about your child's reading, do ask your child's class teacher, and they will be more than happy to help.

Thank you for your support with this; it is much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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