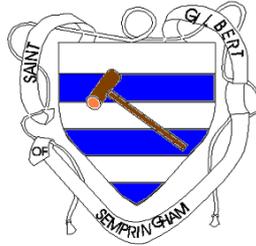


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13th February '17

Dear Parents/Carers,

At St. Gilbert's we believe that competence in reading is the key to independent learning and therefore the teaching of reading is given a very high priority. The new curriculum sets high expectations for children. Evidence shows that as the amount a child reads increases, their reading attainment improves, which in turn encourages them to read more. Their acquisition of vocabulary improves and this also has an impact on their spoken English and their writing.

At the beginning of each school year, we set out the expectations for reading homework in each class. Recently we have undertaken an audit of the children's home reading and the following information may give you a better picture of how your child is progressing, compared to their peers. Please bear in mind, as we have, that as children progress, they are likely to read longer books so will not read as many.

Name:	
Year Group	
Average number of books read in this class (Sept. '16-Jan. '17)	
Number of books read by your child	
Range of colour levels in this class	
Your child's colour level	

Colour Band	Expected Levels of Reading						
	Rec.	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Pink							
Red							
Yellow							
Blue							
Green							
Orange							
Turquoise							
Purple							
Gold							
White							
Lime							
Grey							
Raspberry							
Blackberry							
Blueberry							

Class teachers will always speak to parents if they are worried about individual children's progress but if you have any concerns about your child's reading, please do not hesitate to speak to the teacher. By ensuring they read regularly you are giving your child the best chance of succeeding at school and in later life. We really appreciate and thank you for the support you provide for the children with their home reading.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Killeen
(Literacy Co-Ordinator)

