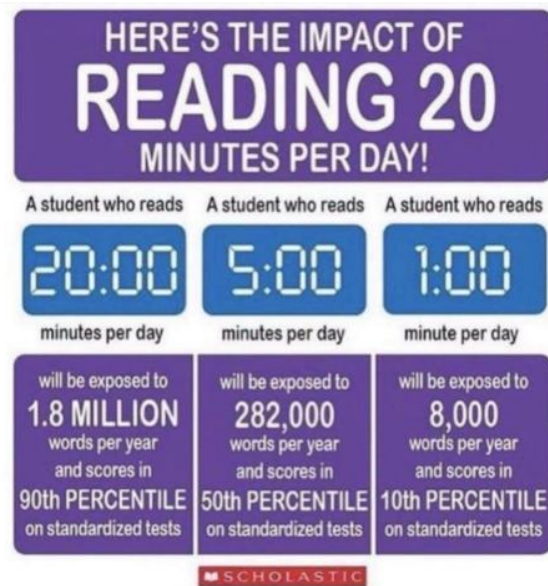


Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to our new school year, I hope you have all had an enjoyable and restful summer holiday. The following details are important for you and your child to familiarise yourselves with. Those children that are in Y6, some expectations/systems have changed slightly so please read the details again.

### **Reading**

The children each have a reading record, which they will need to bring into school on a daily basis. This is very important as Mrs Sage and I will be looking at these throughout the week. On every page there is a 'remarks' section. If there is anything you would like to inform me about your child's reading, e.g. finding the book too easy or hard, please write it here and we will respond at some point during the week. Please make sure that any reading you do at home is recorded in the diary so we can celebrate any extra effort your child is putting in with their learning. We ask that children read as regularly as possible with an adult at home. Although most children in Y5&6 are competent readers, the discussion about the text is still very important. As you can see below, every minute of reading counts!



### **PE kit**

PE is on Mondays and Fridays so please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days. In the Autumn term, Owls will go to Freshwater for swimming lessons on a Friday afternoon.

### **Staff**

I will be in the class Monday-Thursday, alongside the support of Mrs Sage (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri). My planning time is on a Thursday afternoon, which Mrs Sage will cover and release children at the end of the school day. Mr Gough will be teaching the class on Fridays.

### **Home learning**

Home learning will be set on Wednesdays and due in for the following Wednesday. The home learning will be set on Microsoft Teams. If the children hand in their home-learning in on time, it will be looked at by either myself or Mrs Sage. Children should also be accessing Spelling Frame and Time Tables Rockstars (TTRS) several times throughout the week in order to rehearse and consolidate their spelling and times tables. Passwords for Microsoft Office (Teams), Spelling Frame, TTRS and any other online pages will be glued into the back of your child's reading record.

I do hope that this letter has answered any questions you may have had. If there are any other queries or questions in response to this letter or throughout the year, please email me on [owls@burtonbradstock.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:owls@burtonbradstock.dorset.sch.uk) or see me at the school gate at the end of the day.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Varndell-Paulley