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Dear Parents and Carers,

Mini Book Day 😊

As I'm sure you are aware, one of our main school priorities is to raise the profile of reading across school and promote a love of books in our children. One way in which we would like to do this is to hold regular 'Mini Book Days' where children are invited to bring their favourite book from home into school and have time to share it with their friends. Reading for pleasure means any reading that is primarily for enjoyment and so we welcome children to bring in any type of book; e.g. story book, magazine, information book, recipes book etc.

Another main school priority is to provide our parents/carers with the opportunity to join in with their child's learning so that children see the importance of school and home working collaboratively together. I am therefore pleased to invite you into school on **Friday 24th May** to join in with our next 'Mini Book Day' at **2.30pm – 3pm**. If you are able to join us, please wait outside the main school entrance. Due to health and safety reasons we will not be able to accommodate younger brothers or sisters at this session.

During 'Mini Book Day' children will be encouraged to share their book with friends and their grown-up by finding a cosy space in the classroom. This could be on cushions on the carpet, in the reading area or under tables to make it more exciting. Teachers will also be joining in to ensure that we foster a love of reading for pleasure in our children and give them the opportunity to talk about different genres that have been brought in by the class. To end the session, teachers will be delivering story time to the whole class so that you can experience for yourselves how we model good reading skills to the children.

We hope this opportunity proves to be effective in providing different opportunities for our children to develop as confident readers. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

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“The more you **read**
the more **things** you know.
The more that you **learn**
the more **places** you'll go.”
-Dr. Seuss