

## **CLIFFE WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents

### **Y5 READING PROJECT**

As you know, reading is at the heart of all that we do. Not only does it help with all aspects of the curriculum, but a good book is an excellent way to escape into a whole new world.

We are in the process of renewing and updating the books that are on offer to our children, particularly in Year 5 and 6. The majority of books in these libraries are quite dated and are, in all honesty, not as appealing as some of the more modern books that are available.

I am also very aware that towards the end of primary school some children lose interest in reading. It is, therefore, important for us to do all we can to keep the interest high in reading with this group of children.

With this in mind, we would, over several dates in Term 6 if restrictions allow, like to take groups of children to Waterstones at Bluewater. Whilst there, they will be asked to choose a book which they would like to read, we will purchase this book and once it has been read it will become part of the Year 5 Library.

We have run this project over the last couple of years with the generous support of the PTA and with great success. Once again, I am delighted to tell you that the PTA has very kindly agreed to fund the cost of the books, which is fantastic!

For the children to have the space and time to really look and choose a book, we have decided to take small groups of children on different days. Therefore, we will be making several trips with either me or a member of the Year 5 team taking the children by car.

We will plan several days on which to take the children, however a planned visit may have to be rearranged at short notice. For this reason, I am unable to specify on what day your child will be going but we would like your permission to take your child out of school on one occasion in Term 6.

**The visit has been set up on Schoolcomms, so please give permission by clicking the 'Consent' button as you would when paying for a trip. By giving consent, the school assumes it has the right to consent to any emergency medical intervention being given should the need arise. Please note that if we do not receive consent, your child will not be able to take part in the visit.**

I hope you agree that this is a great project to inspire the children to continue or get back into reading!

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher