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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Your child will be bringing a reading journal home with them today. This is a reading record that we have begun in class during our Guided English sessions. Alongside their reading, children have completed a range of activities in their journal. The idea is to encourage children to engage with what they read by completing short comprehension activities. The year 4 teachers have decided to allow the children to bring these reading journals home and provided them with a plastic wallet that it must be kept in. Our hope is that the children will continue to add thoughts and reflections to it as they read at home. We believe this could be a particularly useful resource for Book Bingo! Rather than presenting their bingo tasks on scraps of paper, children can use their reading journal. By doing so, we hope they'll create a record of work to be proud of and to share with others when discussing books.

As you know, we introduced our Book Bingo reading challenge in September. The scheme provides a list of year group specific books for the children to read and enjoy, accompanied by a bingo card of reading comprehension activities to tick off – one per book. Book Bingo encourages children to read a variety of authors and types of books during the year. If your child requires another copy of the bingo activity card, then these are available in classrooms. All documents can also be found on the school website, along with an explanation of how to complete each task.

We look forward to seeing what the children will add to their reading journals and hope that you will encourage your child to produce high quality creative work. Children can use pens, pencils and layouts of their choosing and computer processed work is also very welcome.

Kind regards,

Miss Millar
English Leader
Year 4 Leader

