

**Top Tip** for listening to your child read.



## Reading Corner



READING IS TO THE MIND WHAT  
EXERCISE IS TO THE BODY.

### Maintain the flow.

If your child mispronounces a word, do not interrupt immediately. Instead, allow opportunity for self-correction. It is better to tell a child some unknown words to maintain the flow rather than insisting on trying to build them all up from the sounds of the letters. If your child does try to 'sound out' words, encourage the use of letter sounds rather than alphabet names

### HOW to promote reading:



Evidence suggests that having books of their own impacts on young peoples' reading attainment.



As parents/carers, YOU ARE YOUR CHILD'S MOST INFLUENTIAL TEACHER, with an important part to play in helping your child to develop their reading skills.

### September Book Reviews by J7.

**Frances Fairweather – Demon Striker**, by Derek Smith.

I am currently about a quarter of the way through this book and I am intrigued to finish it. There is a girl named Frances Fairweather who is obsessed by football. One day she gets banned from football just as her team gets to play in their first football match. So she decides to try and join another team sneakily. I would say it's aimed at people aged 8-13 years, who have an understanding of football, because it's quite advanced. I would give it a four out of five, because it's a great book! **By Martha May Townsley**

**Oksa Pollock Tainted Bonds**, by Anne Plichota & Cendrine Wolf.

I recommend this book because it's thrilling and exciting, filled with wonders and surprises. It's the last book in the series (but there's a new one coming out soon) and by far the best. The start of the book carries on from the end of the third book and from there Oksa is carried through the portal to Edifia, the secret land and the heart of the world. Her gran (the heir to the throne) died going through, so Oksa becomes heir to Edifia. Her mother and best friend, Gus, are trapped on the other side. Oksa has to save the heart if she ever wants to see them again. The more you read on the more you can't put it down! I rate it 10/10 for age 8+, because it's perfectly written and there's nothing to change! **By Mia Brotherhood**

**Matilda**, by Roald Dahl.

I recommend this book to anyone who likes magic and adventure. **Matilda** is a magnificent book. It is about a little girl who loves to read. One day she was told she could go to school where she met lots of people. She thought it was very fun, but the head teacher, a huge monster of a person, was not ever very nice. I give this book 10 out of 10, because the only thing wrong with it is that I can't put it down! **By Molly Baxendale**

Q. Why is it important to read more books?

**A. KNOWLEDGE.** Everything you read fills your head with new bits of information and you never know when you might need it. The more knowledge you have, the better equipped you are to tackle any challenge you'll ever face.

### QUIZ

Richmal Compton wrote 39 '**Just William**' books, charting the misadventures of the lovable schoolboy scamp, William Brown. In all of them, William remained 11 years old – but if he had aged naturally after the publication of the first book (in 1922), how old would he have been?



Answer to July's question: The peach was powered by seagulls.