

# St. Margaret's Church of England Primary School



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Dear Parents

At St Margaret's we are keen to develop a real love of reading. As part of this we are encouraging the children to read at least 5 times a week to an adult. We are asking for your support with this and would like you to date and sign when you have heard your child read in their reading record.

Being able to decode the letters and read the words is important, but so is being able to understand what is written. Therefore, we are sending home a series of questions that you might like to ask your child. You do not have to ask your child every question each time they have read, but across the week ask them a range from those that are given. Please do not feel you have to ask only these questions, they are sent purely as suggestions.

Some of the children at St Margaret's are already free readers. For these children, although listening to them read is important, developing their comprehension now takes priority. In this case, we are asking you to date and sign when you have asked them questions about what they have been reading, although they may not have read out loud to you.

Every Friday your child's teacher will be checking their reading records and as we feel that reading is so important, all children who achieve 5 reads across 7 days of the week will be rewarded within school.

We also understand that families are busy, so if there is a week that this will be difficult for your child to achieve 5 reading sessions, due to out of school clubs or other commitments, please let us know and we will do our best to support them in school.

We thank you for your continuing support.

Mrs Bailey-Jones  
Literacy Co-ordinator

