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<u>Reading at Chesswood</u>

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all the emails, photos and videos relating to your children's home learning. It has been so well received and we are super keen to keep children engaged in and enjoying what they are doing. To support the continuing development of their reading fluency, understanding and enjoyment of reading, we want to be sure that all children have access to a range of suitable reading books.

You may have books at home your children can read, great! Don't worry whether they are on AR or not, just get them reading them. If they are on AR, you can access AR quizzes from home during normal school hours, including over the Easter holidays (9am to 3pm). To connect, use your usual username, password at this link: <u>http://ar.chesswood.org.uk/</u>

We now have a wide variety of reading activities including links to websites where you can access free ebooks, audio books, author interviews and book readings which will help your children continue to engage with reading and other literacy-based activities. Details can be found if you go to the following area on the Chesswood website:

https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Reading+Support+at+Home&pid=336

We are also setting up access to a leading digital library 'Epic' which will allow you to access further books and enable your child's teacher to assign books for your child to read. Some of these will be on AR so they will also be able to quiz on the text. You will be contacted by your child's teacher once this is set up with full details.

We appreciate all that you are doing at this difficult time to support your child in their learning – we hope that reading is something they will be largely getting on with independently and remember audio books can be a great way to engage less fluent readers.

We look forward to hearing how you are getting on.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Z Monger Year 4 & English Leader

Mrs J Peace Year 6 & English Leader