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Dear Woodberry Down Families,

Re: KS2 Reading Diaries

Since the beginning of the school year, the children have become immersed in their reading and have begun to develop their responses in their reading diaries. The reading diaries provide our children with opportunities to show their understanding as readers and connect with what they have read. This has been incredibly successful in capturing the ideas of our readers.

Here are some brilliant examples of our children's Reading Diaries:

Year 3

Week Beginning Monday 14 th October 2024	
Date: 15.10.24	Today I read most the snakes. I wonder if Moses goes on his school trip to Wales.
Date: 17.10.24	Today I read Billionaire Boy. This reminds me when I started school I tried to get in and to make friends like you.
Date: 18.10.24	Today I read Billionaire Boy. I predict that every body will try to get Jos outgrabs and really want to see jos house.

Year 4

Week Beginning Monday 4 th November 2024	
Date: 05/11/24	I finished James and the Giant Peach. My favourite part of James and the Giant Peach was at the end when everybody wanted to eat the Giant Peach and they all had a very big celebration because of the Giant Peach. Today I read Danny and the Champion of the World. I was surprised when Mr Spicer gave Danny a turkey pie and it was made from his husband called Mr Spencer.
Date: 05/11/24	Danny loved it; Today I read from page 124 to page 134. I was fascinated when Danny's dad said that they had to go up to Hazell's Wood and eat up all of the pheasants in Hazell's Wood.

Year 5

Year 6

Week Beginning Monday 14th October 2024	
Date: Tuesday	In: The Secret of Ragnar's Gold. Joe's dad travelled on business for a large part of the year. This reminds me of when I my dad was ^{went} on business for a large part of the year.
Date: Wednesday	Joe's Nana told Joe to send a message to his mum and dad but Joe has ^{an} idea. I wonder what Joe's idea was.
Date: Thursday Friday	Go on notes and ideas to see what I drew. I started chapter 11 in The Secret of Ragnar's Gold; and I predict Charlie is going to call Joe to ask what he's doing for the half term.

Week Beginning Monday 14th October 2024	
Date: 14/10/24	During my read today, I felt related with the book because a person helped feed and take care of an owl and watched it grow. I thought this was relatable because I remember playing a game with my brother in which he helped me get better at it. He also made me feel happy and elated, probably the way the owl felt.
Date: 16/10/24	This reminds me that a few months ago, I was home alone and I did something wrong on accident, it also happens when I am alone in a room perhaps. I was reminded because in the ^{chapter I am reading} story the owl, the boy/girl had thought that the owl had been trained to be alone but tragically and unfortunately the owl died from either starvation or another animal. This made me feel ^{sad} bad .
Date: 18/10/24	I predict that the girl/woman will talk to the protagonist. I predict she will because it says the in the text that the main character or so far the primary character has described how she looks so I think she will talk after this has happened because she won't let their interaction awkward.

Bookmarks

To further support children in developing their responses as readers, every child across KS2 is encouraged to use the bookmark attached with suggestions and ideas. The bookmarks provide children with varied sentence stems and vocabulary to use when writing their responses. The children are familiar with using this in school and should be encouraged to continue using this at home.

Reading Diaries at Home

Our reading diaries will now be **taken home each Friday** to complete one entry at home and **return to school each Monday** to share with their class teachers. The teachers will check the reading diary on a Monday and these will be sent home again on the following Friday. There is a space in the reading diary for you to record a response to your child's reading. This supports the class teacher in further supporting your child's reading journey.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,



Morgan Boon

KS2 Reading Leader



My favourite part was...

I liked it when... because...

I was surprised when...

I was fascinated by...

The part I read was
similar to when I...

The moment when...

This reminds me...

I wonder...

I predict...

My prediction was
right/wrong because...



funny



interesting



curious



bizarre



intriguing



personality



character



different



connection



adventure