

Reading with your child



Why read?

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What I love most about reading: It gives you the ability to reach higher ground. And keep climbing.

OPRAH

“

There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island.

WALT DISNEY

“

There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all.

JACQUELINE KENNEDY ONASSIS

Southern Living

*The more that you read,
THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL KNOW.
The more that you learn,
THE MORE PLACES YOU'LL GO.*

Dr Seuss

today a
READER,
tomorrow a
LEADER

MARGARET FULLER

3. "If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books."

Roald Dahl

"Everyone is a reader, some just haven't found their favourite book yet."

Unknown



How often should I read with my child

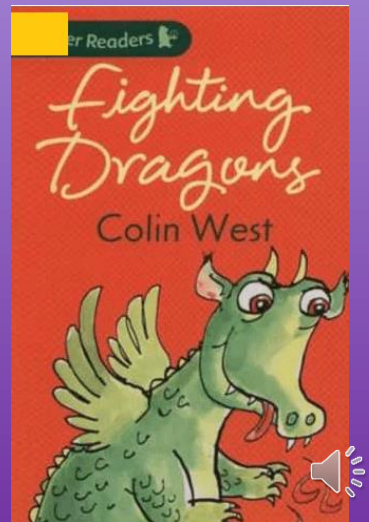
- Little and often – hear children read every day if possible.
- The more reading children do, the more quickly they will develop as readers. It is often recommended that beginning readers spend 15 or 20 minutes reading each day (in addition to the reading they do at school).
- Older children may read independently but it is still good for you to hear them read too!



Books

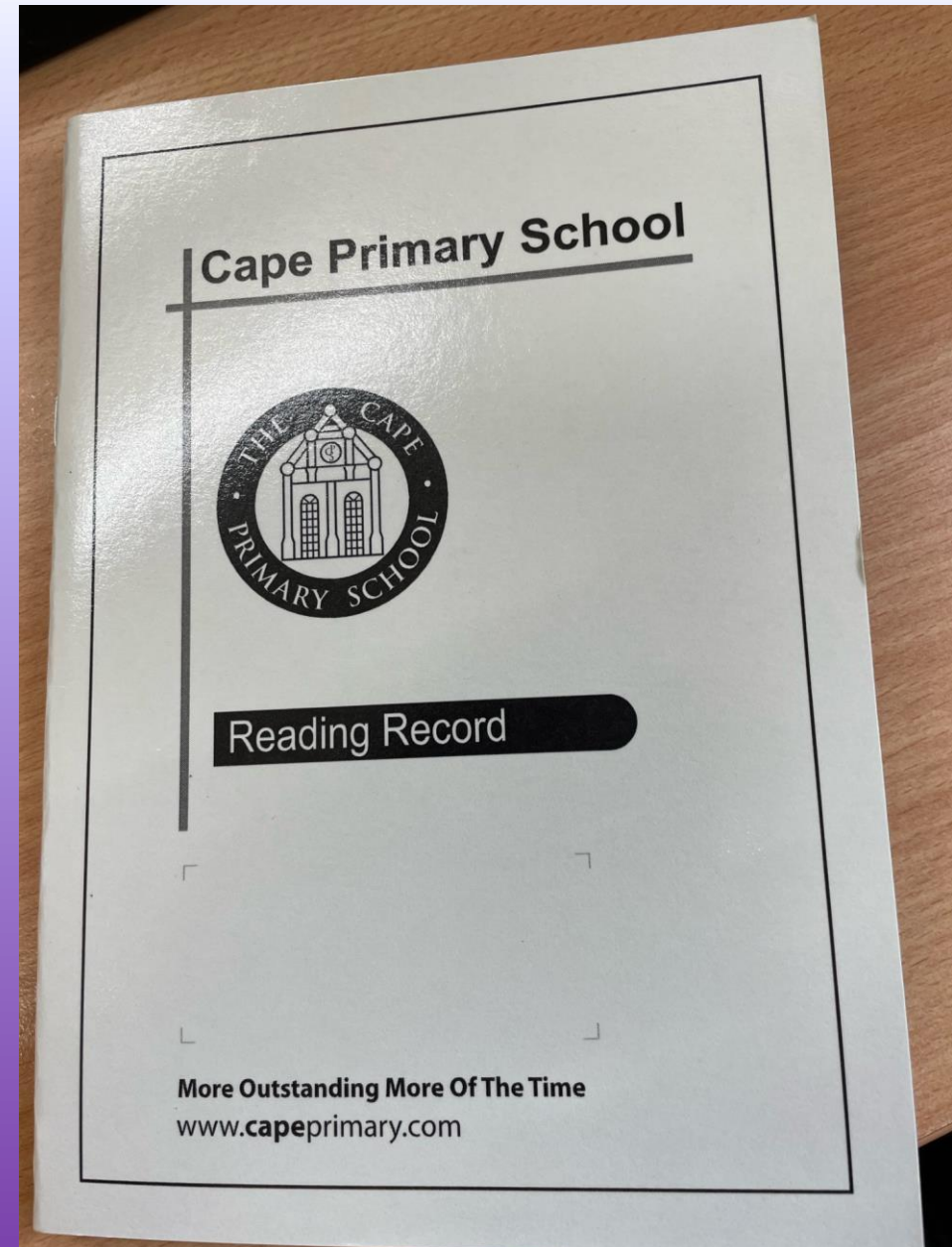
Collins ebooks

- Younger children will have their phonically matched Collins ebooks online
- They will also bring home a reading for pleasure book (they may not be able to read this themselves but can share and look together)
- Older children will bring a book banded book at their reading ability.



Home Reading records

- This is where you write when you hear your child reads



This is what it looks like inside

Week beginning:

Date	Title and author	Page no.	Comments



Often some bits are already filled in for you ...

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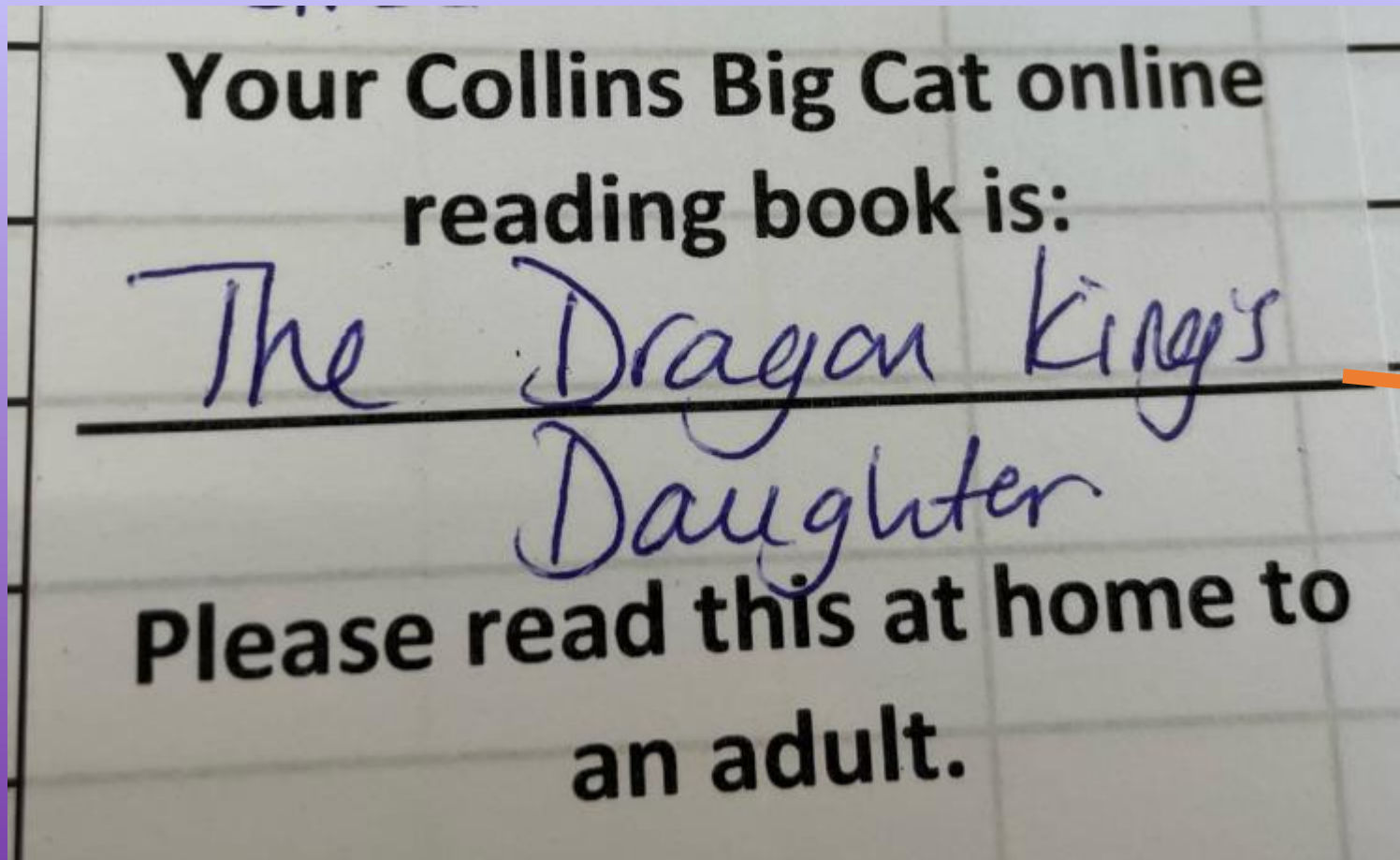
Date	Title and author
13.10.23	Samantha
	The Swimming
	Fairy

Date

Title/name of
book



Children doing phonics (EYFS/KS1) have a sticker



Name of the book for them to read on Collins ebooks online



How to complete the home reading record

Date	Title and author	Page no.	Comments
26.10.23	Fighting Dragons	1 -3	Found some words difficult - <u>fierce enormous defeat</u>

Date read with child.

Name (Title) of the book.

Pages read

Write about your child's reading. Sign to say they have read.



What can I write in the comments section?

Words

Read all the words correctly.

Found some words difficult.

(Write down the words they found difficult)

Tried hard to work out new words.

Worked out new words by sounding them out and blending.

Able to read the book with lots of help.

Understanding

Understood the story well.

Retold the story in detail.

Needed lots of help to understand the main events.

Did not understand what they read.

Feelings/attitudes

Enjoyed the story because ...

Struggled to concentrate.

Fantastic expression.

Was excited and motivated to read.

Found the book too hard to read.



Make reading a fun time

Reread

Reread your child's favourite stories as many times as your child wants to hear them. Choose books and authors that your child enjoys.



Sit

Sit close together and get comfy! You could encourage your child to hold the book themselves and turn the pages. Use funny voices, puppets or props to bring the story alive.

Look

Look at the pictures and talk about them. For example, 'Can you find a bird or a cat?', 'What else can you see?', 'What are the children playing? Have you played that before?'



Ask Questions

Ask questions when you are reading together, such as 'What can you see on this page?', 'How do you think the characters feel?' and 'What is the story about?'



Visit

Visit the local library together. It is fun choosing new books to read. Keep an eye out for special story events at the library or local bookshops that you can join in with.

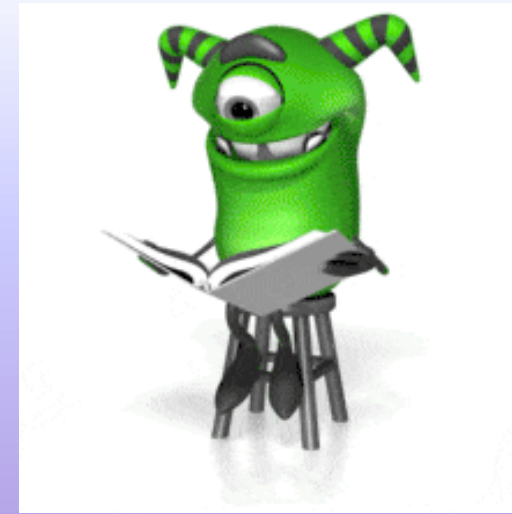


Encourage

Encourage family and friends to share books with your child. The more your child sees you and others reading, the more they will want to read too.



Please hear your child read



- Make time to hear them read – even 10 minutes a night helps
- Sign your child's home reading record, so that we know you have heard them read
- Share and enjoy books and reading with your child

