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Dear Parents/Carers,

At Coxheath, we know how important children reading regularly at home is and to encourage this as much as possible, we like to reward the effort that goes into reading at home.

I am writing to inform you of our home reading incentive for this year. This is for years 1-6 and will start from the beginning of the year. A slightly different incentive will be in place for year R, which year R parents will be informed about soon.

I have taken into account feedback from our pupils, parent survey and the parent council and our new incentive is as follows:

The rewards are for **home reading only** – reading with an adult in school will not be counted.

If a child is chosen to be on the Reading Plus programme, this will count as a read if they log on at home and complete a session.




The children will earn 1 point for every time they read at home. **Only 1 point can be earned per day** no matter how much reading is done or how many books are read per night. This is to ensure it is kept fair across the age range of the school.

Only reading recorded in the learning journal will be counted – including Reading Plus so please make sure you write it in your child's learning journal.

The expectation is that children should be reading **at least 3 times a week** at home and the points have been based on this so they are achievable within the academic year. Obviously, if your child reads more often then they will achieve their reward sooner. Also, to encourage children to read as much as possible at home, we have extended to the reward system to up to 200 reads. This will give children the incentive to read more to achieve more.

Any home reading can be counted. It doesn't always need to be a reading book, it could be a newspaper, recipe, comic etc. as long as it is recorded in the learning journal. Reading books from home and library books also count.

Please see the table below for the rewards that the children will receive for gaining a set number of points:

Points	Reward
50	Bronze star badge to be worn on their uniform 
100	Silver star badge to be worn on their uniform 
150	Gold star badge to be worn on their uniform 
200	Coxheath Reading animal keyring to add to your child's collection.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher or you can contact me directly.

Your sincerely,

Miss Ryan