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Dear Prep Parents and Carers,

We hope this message finds you well.

As Term 3 begins we would like to kindly remind parents that it is important for students to practise reading each evening. Regular reading at home helps strengthen their literacy skills and boosts their confidence. Reading at home should be a pleasurable activity and the books taken home will be easy as reading at home is aimed at practising familiar words and sentences for fluency and confidence.

Each Prep child will bring home a Term 3 Reading Diary for the recording of nightly reading. Prep children are required to read for approximately 10-15 minutes each night. This includes their letter sounds, tricky words and reading their readers.

Two to three readers are selected by the teacher and placed in the student Blue folders. These readers need to be read and reread throughout the week. This will build fluency.

At the back of the Reading Diary is a list of tricky words for your child to practise reading. In addition to the words there are activities for you to complete with your child to assist in the practise of reading the words provided. You may like to select one of the suggested word activities in the diary each week. You may also like to revisit the words and activities given in previous Reading Diaries (Term 1 and Term 2).

For example - You may like to make a snap game where the students say and match words.

## **LIBRARY BOOKS**

Students select and borrow Library books from the St Kevin's Library once a week. The library picture books that are borrowed are for the parents to read and discuss with their child, unlike the readers.

Please let me know if you require any further support with this activity. We can run parent sessions or create some easy webinars for parents and carers to follow.

By working together—parents, teachers, and students, we can achieve the best outcomes for each child. Your support is invaluable and truly makes a difference to your child's learning and progress.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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