



## CONCORDIA ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

At Concordia Academy, we place a great deal of emphasis on reading. A love of reading will lead to a love of learning and so it is important that we encourage our children to have a passion for books both in school and at home.

In order to do this, we send home a variety of books for you to read with your child. Alongside the reading books, your child has a Reading Record, which you should write in whenever you read with your child.

The expectation is that you write the date, title of the book and a comment. For example:

Date	Book and Page Number	Remarks
21/11/2018	The Gruffalo	James enjoyed this book and was able to retell the story.

Some other ideas of comments that you might include are:

- *Read familiar words independently.*
- *Able to predict what happens next in the text.*
- *Worked out new words by sounding them out.*
- *Discussed the story and characters.*
- *Self-corrected own errors independently.*
- *Used the picture cues and the first sound of a word to work out words.*
- *Read with fluency and expression*
- *Struggled to concentrate.*
- *Able to read this book with lots of help.*
- *Created tension as he did not want to read.*
- *Did not understand what he has read.*





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We understand that not all parents are fluent in writing in English. If this is the case, as a minimum, we would like you to indicate with a smiley face whether your child enjoyed their reading or was able to access the book. For example:

Date	Book and Page Number	Remarks
14/11/ 2018	Elmer	☺

It is important that your child brings their Reading Record to school every day as teachers will now be monitoring them and having conversations with parents who appear not to be reading with their children at home.

If you have any questions regarding reading at home, or if your child needs a replacement Reading Record, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Black

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