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Dear Parents/Carers,

You will all know by now that reading is very important to us here at Concordia Academy. We have said at many of our parent workshops that "before children can read to learn, they must learn to read."

As teachers and as parents, we all have a pivotal role to play in making sure that our pupils are confident readers and therefore confident learners.

In order to further raise the profile of reading within our school, we will be launching a **Reading Club** which will take place every Monday from 3.15-3.45pm in the school hall, starting on **Monday 18th March**.

At the Reading Club, you will be invited to come in and read with your children with support from members of staff who will be able to offer guidance in helping your child to tackle unfamiliar words, and assist you with writing comments in Reading Records.

If you have younger children and are planning to attend the club, we advise that you make alternative childcare arrangements wherever possible. This will make it easier to focus and enjoy the reading time.

For those who do not plan to attend the club, it is important that you still continue to read with your child at home. Once you have done this, it would be greatly appreciated if you could comment in your child's reading record.

If there are any parents who need a new Reading Record or further guidance on the types of comments that could be recorded, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Black
Assistant Headteacher

