



# John Clare Primary School

## Newsletter

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### School Noticeboard

Dear Parents/Carers,

#### Power of Reading at Home

As we head towards the summer holidays, we are coming to the end of our 'Power of Reading at Home' trial. Please have a look at the WAGOLLS (What a Good One Looks Like) on the school website for some great examples of the booklet working in practice. Feedback from children, parents and teachers has been invaluable; here are some of their comments:

#### Parents:

"It is something they can do with or without support."  
 "I have had less trouble trying to motivate (my children) to read than I had with homework."  
 "I prefer the new reading record as it helps us to think about the way children learn through reading, and how it can extend their learning."  
 "It's really good, but we would like maths homework as well."  
 "I personally love it and am much happier and more comfortable with this system. I feel that any time I have is best invested in the special time of sharing a book together, and all that goes with it (including) endless opportunities that open up for dialogue."

#### Pupil feedback:

"Before, I just read a book, now I read it and understand it."  
 "I love reading, but now I don't read as much. I could read quickly before, but now I've got to write all the stuff in a book for evidence. I would prefer just a notebook I can do little sketches in."  
 "It gets you reading more and I like reading a lot!"  
 "We discover things, and sometimes I write in it and sometimes my mum and dad."  
 "I don't really like it. Reading records were better because there were more pages and more bits to fill in."  
 "You don't know how many pages you've read."  
 "Reading and writing is not really my thing, I'm more of a maths person."  
 "I like how you get to write about it yourself."  
 "I'm not saying everyone, but I think some people that don't like it might be because a bit lazy."

#### Teacher/TA feedback:

"The majority of the children in my class love bringing them in and sharing them with me. Already, I can see them making greater links between what they read at home and in school."  
 "I now use the 'Tell Me' format when I'm supporting children to read in school."  
 "We need to do more work to engage some parents, but it seems to be working for most."

We will take all points of view into account when we review the trial in September. Also, look out for the 'Power of Reading at Home' parent/carer workshops planned for the Autumn Term for both Key Stage 1 and 2. Let's try to involve everyone in our school community to join together in our aim to encourage a love of reading in every single child at John Clare School.

Best wishes  
 Mrs Bacon



#### John Clare Kitchen

Week commencing: Monday 16th July

#### Menu Week 1

Monday	Sausage and Yorkshire Pudding or Quorn Sausage
Tuesday	Breaded Chicken Grill or Quorn Chicken Grill
Wednesday	Fish Pie or Vegetarian Nuggets
Thursday	Pepperoni or Margherita Pizza
Friday	Roast Beef or Vegetarian Sausage

**Leavers' Family Assembly - Thursday 19th July**  
 9:15 - 9:45am Year 6 Families only  
 9:45-10:00am Refreshments  
 10:15-11:45am Whole School



Music Evening



Torpel's Greek Taverna



Citizens of the week



#### Pupil Achievement

##### School Citizen Nominations

**Isobel F** for being a brilliant role model all year!  
**Aaron** for his clever and well thought out designs  
**Maddy** for being so helpful and kind to all  
**Jack H** for having a great attitude to everything he does  
**Julia** for making good choices with her friendships  
**Year 6** for amazing SATs results!



**School Citizen**  
 Isobel

**Class Attendance of the Week**  
 Woodgate 99.60%

**Whole School Attendance of the Week**  
 98.00%