

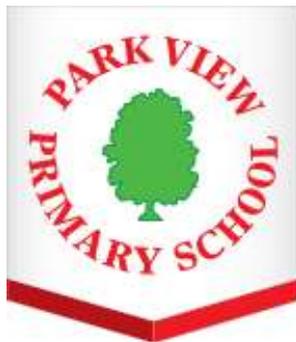
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Learning and Growing Together



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Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that we have new Monster Phonics reading books to enhance our existing reading resources for school and home. These books are designed to match the phonic development of your child as they move through the reading colour bands up to gold level.

In each book, colour highlights the focus spelling (grapheme). Monster Phonics also uses colour to help children to read high-frequency words (common words such as 'when' and 'said') with fluency. You will find that the colour is dropped from the word once that spelling has been taught in school. The early stages have an optional section for an adult to read at the bottom of each page. This text is not critical for the understanding of the story but adds further detail to help bring the story to life.

Each week children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will bring home one phonics book and one book from our other reading resources. Children in KS2 may bring home phonics books if they need additional support with their phonic skills.

As we have resources from several different reading schemes, books may be labelled with different stages / levels. However, all our books have been carefully matched to the system of colour book bands we already use so your child will be reading at a colour band rather than level or stage. For further information there is a guide to book bands attached to this email. Please feel free to speak to me or your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding reading.

I hope your child enjoys our exciting new books!

Mrs Smith
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