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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s) of students of Tregony Community Primary School

Karate Reading

To encourage your child to read at home we are introducing a reading reward system called 'Karate Reading'. This is a fantastic incentive that we, as a school, are very excited about!

Just like the Japanese Martial Art, Reading Karate is about practicing a skill and working your way up through a series of bands/belts. We hope that it will encourage our children to read at home and help them to achieve all the different coloured wristbands. It's great fun, boosting the children's self-image as a reader by developing their reading skills and strategies.

We know from experience and research, that those children who read regularly are usually the most successful in their education.

The table below demonstrates the allocation of wristbands. When your child reads at home, please sign their reading record book. Each Friday the books will be checked and the amount of reads your child has completed will be recorded.

Once your child has read 20 times they will receive their white band, their name will go on our newsletter and we will celebrate their achievement during Friday's 'Chance to Shine' assembly. When they read on another 20 occasions, they will exchange their white band for a yellow band, and so this continues until they have reached their accomplished black band and become a Reading Karate Master. Once your child has achieved their black wristband they will start the process again but they keep their wristband.

There is no cost for this new reading incentive scheme, but we may ask for a small donation of 40p should bands get lost, as children can only exchange their bands for the next colour when they return their previous band.

Yours sincerely

K P Douglass

Kate Douglass
Headteacher

Reading Karate Wristband Allocation:

Colour of bands	Number of reads
White	20 reads
Yellow	40 reads
Orange	60 reads
Blue	85 reads
Green	110 reads
Brown	135 reads
Black	160 reads

Guidance on Reading Times and Expectations

<u>Foundation Stage</u>	<u>Years 1 and 2</u>
<p>Sharing a book with an adult at home counts as a read. This could be your school reading book, library book or a bedtime story.</p> <p>An adult must sign your reading record.</p> <p>Only one read per day counts.</p>	<p>Sharing a book with an adult at home for 10 minutes or more counts as a read. This could be your school reading book, library book or a book from home.</p> <p>An adult must sign your reading record book.</p> <p>Only one read per day counts.</p>
<u>Years 3 and 4</u>	<u>Years 5 and 6</u>
<p>Sharing a book with an adult at home for at least 15 minutes counts as a read. This could be your school reading book, library book or a book from home.</p> <p>An adult must sign your reading record book.</p> <p>Only one read per day counts.</p>	<p>Sharing a book with an adult at home or reading to yourself for at least 15 minutes counts as a read.</p> <p>You could read your school reading book, library book or a book from home.</p> <p>Remember to write a comment about what you have just read.</p> <p>An adult must sign your reading record book.</p> <p>Only one read per day counts.</p>