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Dear Parents,

We would like to invite all parents from Reception to Year 4 to an important Zoom meeting on **Tuesday 21st June at 7.00pm** about the changes we are making to how we teach your child phonics, reading and writing and the class groupings they will be taught in for an English lesson.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85863755164?pwd=MTFlbnZ5S2I1K2Q5Kyt1M2hZVWY5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 858 6375 5164

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As you will know, over the last month we have had extensive training on a new programme called Read Write Inc. It is changing the way in which we deliver phonics, reading and writing to your children and will see children in Reception and Years 1-4 working in English groups carefully organised according to their needs.

For the rest of this academic year, some children in Years 3 and 4 will be in a mixed-year group for one standard English lesson every day, following our normal English lesson approach. Other children will be in small, focussed phonics groups with children at the same stage (mixed-aged groups).

The children in the focussed groups will be following the Read Write Inc. phonics programme. In school the children will practise their reading with books that match the phonics and the 'tricky' words they know. Next week, these children will be bringing home storybooks that they have been learning to read during their Read Write Inc. lessons with two other books for sharing with you. We will be providing information booklets to support you with reading with your child at home.

We hope that all parents will attend this meeting so that you get a clear understanding of the approach we are taking and quickly address any questions you may have.

Learning to read is the most important thing your child will learn at our school. Everything else depends on it, so we want to put as much energy as we possibly can into making sure that every single child learns to read as quickly as possible. We are also passionate about giving children the opportunity to develop a love of books as well as simply learning to read – we want your child to love reading and want to read for themselves.

Kind regards,

Andrew Denham & Jane Fleet