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Dear Parents and Carers,

Introducing Our New Golden Ticket Reading Bookmarks

At our school, we are passionate about helping every child become a confident, enthusiastic and lifelong reader. Reading regularly at home plays a vital role in developing fluency, vocabulary, imagination and a love of books.

From September, we will be replacing our traditional reading diaries with Golden Ticket Reading Bookmarks.

Why are we making this change?

We want reading at home to be about enjoying books and sharing stories together, rather than completing paperwork.

Research shows that the biggest difference to children's reading progress comes from reading regularly and talking about books with an adult, rather than writing comments in a reading diary. We know that many families found reading diaries time-consuming, and they could sometimes become a "tick-box" exercise instead of celebrating reading itself.

Our new Golden Ticket system keeps the focus where it belongs—on children reading often and developing a genuine love of books.

How do Golden Ticket Reading Bookmarks work?

Each child will receive a Golden Ticket Reading Bookmark.





Every time your child reads to you, or you read together, please sign one box on the bookmark to show that a reading session has taken place. This can be their school reading book, a library book, a book from home, a magazine, a newspaper; any reading counts!

Once your child has collected 10 signatures, they should return their completed Golden Ticket to school, post it in their reading ticket box and they will then receive a new ticket to continue their reading journey. They will instantly receive 10 dojos and each ticket in the box counts as an entry to a grand prize draw chosen at the end of the term. More reading means more chances to win!

How can you help at home?

You can support your child by:

- Reading together as often as possible, even if it is only for 10–15 minutes.
- Talking about books and encouraging your child to share their thoughts and opinions.
- Celebrating their reading achievements and helping them build a regular reading routine.

Children will continue to bring home books from school, and we will still keep a record of the books they borrow so that they enjoy a wide range of texts.

We are excited to launch our Golden Ticket Reading Bookmarks in September and hope they will make reading at home simpler, more enjoyable and even more rewarding. Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping your child develop a lifelong love of reading.

Happy reading!

Kind regards,
The English Team