



## The Read Write Inc. Phonics programme: Year 2 Book Bags

Learning to read is the most important thing your child will learn at school. Everything else depends on it, so we put as much energy as we possibly can into making sure that every single child learns to read as quickly as possible.

We want your child to love reading – and to want to read for themselves. This is why we put our efforts into making sure they develop a love of books as well as simply learning to read.

We are very fortunate that our governors and parent association have supported us to invest in new reading books to support our phonics programme, Read Write Inc. We have an amazing new library of resources, so please support us in respecting and looking after any books sent home, and returning them on time.

You may notice that your child is reading a different coloured book from before. These new coloured bands are not linked to the old ones. Read Write Inc follows a different set of coloured book bands.

### Year 2 Book Bags

Your child will be given a named book folder. In your child's book folder, they will bring home:

- **the Storybook** they have read in class that week to practice reading what they can already read. This is a black and white version of the storybook and it must be looked after in the same way as if it were a colour version. Your child should be able to read this confidently as they have already read it 3 times at school. Please read it together 4 more times at home.
- **a Book Bag Book** matched to the book your child has read in school. They have guidance inside just for you as parents. Your child should read this book aloud to you several times. Use the activities in the book to guide discussions.



Book folders with both books should be returned on **THURSDAYS** to be exchanged for new books. We hope that you will support us in helping your child look after their reading books.

Your child will continue to take home a library book on their designated library day. Your child has chosen this book themselves. You can read the story to them, with them, or they can retell the story by looking at the pictures. They are not expected to read this story themselves.

Please note, there will be fines for lost/damaged books, as follows:

Black & white storybook = £1 / Book bag book = £2.50

*“Teach a child to read and keep that child reading and we will change everything.*

*And I mean everything.” Jeanette Winterson*