



21<sup>st</sup> September 2015

Dear Parents and Carers

**Exciting new reading project for year 1 children and parents.**

We are very excited about a new reading project that we and many schools in the local area have decided to adopt to further support our children with the development of their reading. The project is called 'Parent Assisted Immersive Reading' (P.A.I.R.). P.A.I.R. is built on a wealth of local and international research. Its purpose and structure is underpinned by the work of some of the world's leading educators. P.A.I.R. is designed to help parents make their child 'reading ready' by using simple, easy to implement steps. Simply, P.A.I.R. calls on parents to read aloud to their child on a regular basis while involving them in a meaningful discussion about the book.

At the start of the project each child will receive a P.A.I.R. reading pack that includes large, colourful books that contain engaging characters, a parent guide and an activity pack for younger siblings.

We are keen to get this project underway and would like to ask all year 1 parents to attend a P.A.I.R. information session on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 2:00pm to explain the project further, show some of the materials and answer any questions that you may have. To fully understand the P.A.I.R. project and to get the most out of it, it is important that all parents do their best to attend.

Yours sincerely

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