

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I am delighted to announce that we have just stocked our school libraries with brand new reading books! These are from the Collins 'Big Cat' series* and will form a reading path that starts in Reception and leads all the way to Year 6. Classics, fiction, non-fiction and poetry are all included, and the books were already proving very popular before we got them unpacked (especially the special series of National Geographic books). There are also animated online versions of many of the books with subtitles and a narrator (we will send out further information and explain how to access these in due course). I am certain you will enjoy them as much as the staff and children.

Books will be sent home, and the teachers will be keeping a record to monitor progression and ensure that the children read a variety of texts. Research has proven that children who read regularly for pleasure perform highest academically, so please continue to encourage your children to read every day. Your engagement with their love of reading is so important to the children, and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support.

Best wishes,

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* further details about the Collins Big Cat Series, including a list of books can be found here:

<https://collins.co.uk/pages/collins-big-cat>

