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Dear Parent/Carer,



We are running a **Read for Good Sponsored Readathon** and we'd like your child to join in.

The Read for Good Readathon is the UK's national sponsored reading event for schools, which encourages children to read for pleasure and money raised will go to helping seriously ill and disadvantaged children by supplying books and storytellers for Children's Hospitals nationwide. Not only that, but our school will also receive some free books proportional to the money raised!

The Readathon started on **Monday 9th March** and is running for three weeks, finishing on **Friday 27th March**. During this time, please encourage your child to set themselves reading goals and challenges, read as much as possible and help them to find sponsors among family and friends. They should bring a reading book with them to school every day, so if they do not currently have a good book 'on the go' then please support them in choosing one. This week, they will bring home a free bookmark and a **sponsorship card** which will need to be completed and submitted as soon as possible after the close of the Readathon, along with a payment on ParentPay, or on the website <https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor/>.

It is very important that the sponsorship cards are filled in in detail and submitted to school so that we can keep track of monies and the charities can claim GiftAid.

I would also like very briefly to draw your attention to a short story competition we are launching alongside the Readathon. We are encouraging students to submit their own Flash Fiction (a story of a **maximum of 500 words**, but which could be significantly shorter) as a response to any of the following 5 titles:

1. Shelter from the storm
2. A simple twist of fate
3. One more cup of coffee
4. Not dark yet
5. Shooting star

The deadline for submissions is **Friday 20th March**.

Thank you very much in advance for your continued support of both your child's reading and the school,

Happy reading!

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