

28th February 2025

## Readathon 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> March

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of World Book Day, we are running a Readathon where children will be encouraged to read as much as possible and be sponsored for their reading efforts by friends and family.

It's been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives (OECD, 2002).

## All you have to do is:

1. Take a look at what they plan to read or help them complete their list of books to read. Remember they can read whatever they want: books, e-books, poetry, comics – anything goes! Sharing books is fine too (in fact recommended!) as well as listening to audio books.

2. Help your child find sponsors among family and friends. The easiest way to sponsor a child is by sending cash into school in a labelled envelope.

You may choose to sponsor your child by the number of pages or books that they choose to read or for the length of time they spend reading.

The money raised from this will contribute towards a poetry visit from the poet Spoz who is an award-winning performance poet, singer, songwriter, film maker and playwright. You can find out more about his work on his website here <u>https://spozsite.wordpress.com/</u>.

Please can all sponsorship forms and money be returned to your child's class teacher by Monday  $10^{th}$  March. We really hope that each child in school can raise a minimum of £1 for their engagement with reading.

As always, if you have any queries, please feel free to contact the school at any time on 0121 716 0444 or email <u>enquiry@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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