Dear KS1 parent/carer,

We have had a few queries regarding reading in KS1 so I am sending out an information letter for all parents who could not attend the class teacher meeting last week.

*We appreciate that enjoying books and reading stories from a very early age is crucial in the development of children. It helps with their ability to understand words, use their imagination and develop their speech, as well as doing something they really enjoy. It also supports the development spelling, listening, writing, literacy and social skills.*

Therefore, here at St Uny Academy we maintain the highest standards of reading at home and in the classroom. Outlined below is our reading provision at Key Stage One:

* Each child take home a coloured reading book from the scheme Read Write Inc. Please try to listen to your child read each day or as much as possible. You can record their reading in the home/school books. These will be checked daily and changed if necessary. Don’t forget that there are questions in the back of these books as well as speed words to practice.
* On Fridays, the children will have the opportunity to visit the library and change their LIBRARY books. This book is for the child’s enjoyment so please feel free to read and share this with them.

We also have in place the following opportunities for reading in the classroom:

* Twice per week focussed reading comprehension activities as part of our literacy lessons.
* Story time each day with the teacher.
* A stimulating and engaging storytelling/reading area.
* Read Write Inc. phonics, reading and writing daily.
* A wide variety of reading opportunities across all cross curriculum subjects.

*For more information on Read Write Inc. please visit the website: www.ruthmiskin.com*

Many thanks for all of your ongoing support.

The Key Stage One team