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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to share exciting information about some new reading books to support our Little Wandle Phonics Programme.

Following your valuable feedback about our Collins e-Book subscription and having monitored the children's engagement with reading the e-Books, we made the decision to look at ways to purchase physical books that the children can take home.

I am pleased to tell you that we have now purchased and organised the Collins Big Cat Phonics books and any children receiving phonics teaching will begin to take them home this week following their in-school, adult led session. Please do read with your child daily and praise their efforts to decode and read fluently. Talk about the vocabulary and the events within the text to ensure your child has understood what they have read.

The children will borrow this book for a week and they will know which day the book **must** be returned to school so that they are ready for the next group of children to take home. Please encourage your child to look after the books they borrow and remind them to put them back into their bags every day so they can also be accessed during the school day. Your child will already have a Reading Record where you will be able to record what has been read each day.

Your child will continue to access 'Sharing Books' which may contain sounds that your child is not yet secure with. Please do support your child by modelling any unfamiliar sounds and encouraging them to blend these sounds together to read the word.

Thank you so much for your feedback and your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Connor