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### Changes to Reading at Apley Wood

Dear Parents,

As a school, we are continually monitoring and evaluating school systems. In light of this, we have decided to lower the Accelerated Reading quiz pass mark to 70% in order to better reflect internal school assessments and SATs pass marks whilst still maintaining high expectations. This means that if your child achieves at least 70% in their book quiz, they will be able to move up to the next ZPD. In order to move through the reward certificates, they will now need 5x 70% or more on their quizzes to achieve each certificate.

The children will also now be able to refer to their reading book whilst they sit the quiz as this better reflects how the children complete reading work in their guided reading sessions and when they undertake termly assessments and SATs tests at the end of KS1 and KS2.

All children will continue to be encouraged to read regularly at home and will be rewarded with 5HP for every 3 reads. Please can the children now put their reading record on their teacher's desk in the morning when they have achieved this, so that the class teacher can sign it off and reward your child with the appropriate number of house points.

Your child will also now have an extended 1:1 reading session with their class teacher twice each half term. At this session, your child will read to the teacher and be questioned on their book and reading habits. The class teacher will use these sessions to ensure that your child is reading an appropriately pitched book and monitor their progression on the Accelerated Reading Programme (for those children who are on it.)

Thank you for your continuing support.

Kind regards,

Samantha Williams  
English Co-ordinator

