



## Winwick CE Primary School

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### READING PLUS

Dear Parents/Carers,

As a school, we believe it is important to ensure our children develop their reading skills, as these are fundamental to being able to access the curriculum, as well as supporting them with their learning and in the wider world. Reading is a skill that children will need well beyond their school years and we want to enable them to possess the skills they will need to be successful on whatever path they take when they leave Winwick and continue their journey.

In light of recent changes with school closures, it is now more important than ever that we continue to make sure our children are developing the reading skills that they need. To support our children in Years 2 to 6 (all year groups for which it is suitable), we have purchased Reading Plus for all pupils in these classes. This replaces the Lexia intervention that was previously used, but while this was only accessible for 60 users, Reading Plus can be used by all children. As we are rolling this out during school closure, we will be sending the details out a class at a time, as all letters/passwords need to be sent out individually and so this will be done in stages.

Reading Plus is an online programme that has been designed to help support children with a range of skills linked to reading to improve their progress and comprehension. The programme will start with the children completing elements that form a baseline assessment and, following this, activities will be set by Reading Plus for the individual pupil to complete and will focus on their personal target areas.

Reading Plus can be done using a computer or tablet. Along with this letter, you will receive a Reading Plus letter that contains your child's username and password, along with details for how to access Reading Plus. We have also added a link to the Reading Plus website on our main school website page. School Site Code: **rpwinwi1**

Once we have sent Reading Plus information out to a class, this will then form the main elements of home learning for their weekly reading tasks and teachers will reference this on their home learning pages.

We recommend that children complete the activities independently, but they may need some support to get it all set up. Children will need to listen to information from Reading Plus for some activities, so it is important that they have a quiet space to work in, and/or they have a set of headphones to use when working on Reading Plus.

As this is also a new programme for us at school, we are developing our staff knowledge and understanding too. If you have any issues/questions, please email them into school with the subject 'Reading Plus' and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Thank you for your continued support,

*L. Duckett*

Mrs L Duckett

Deputy Headteacher & English Lead

*In God's love, aspire and achieve to be the best'*

