



20<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear children and parents,

## STRIVE FOR FIVE!

**'The more that you read the more things you will know. The more you learn the more places you'll go!'**

STRIVE FOR FIVE IS BACK! We are relaunching our STRIVE FOR FIVE reading initiative that will encourage the children to read as much as possible **and** promote a love of reading!

Reading is extremely important as it allows your child to have greater access to other areas of the curriculum.

Children who read frequently and are read to regularly, have improved reading skills and improved life chances.

Reading has lots of benefits, however it also provides opportunities to bond with your child, develop their language and expression, improve their listening skills, develop their imagination and creativity and most of all it is fun!

Each week, we are asking the children to STRIVE FOR FIVE. This means reading 5 times over the course of the week. Each child who achieves this will receive a raffle ticket from their teacher and be entered into the Friday reading raffle draw.

Think creatively about how you might earn your 5...could you read your reading book to an adult at home, could you read a newspaper or magazine, could you read a menu or recipe, could you read to a friend or seek out an adult in school?

Parents and adults must sign their child's reading record or reading bookmark each time they read at home or in school.

Children who demonstrate this commitment to reading will be rewarded with a special STRIVE FOR FIVE certificate in recognition of their commitment to reading, in our Celebration Assembly each Friday.

In addition, those children who STRIVE FOR FIVE consistently across the term will also receive a little 'reward' at the end of each term - this could be an extra playtime, or a movie, or even a sweet treat!

We'll start this incentive next Friday in Celebration Assembly – so you have a head start this week and a few extra days!

We can't wait to see who will be our first STRIVE FOR FIVE winners!

Mrs Brotherhood  
Headteacher