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Dear Parent/Guardian

English Homework – Reading

As part of our Accelerated Reader literacy programme of activities, it is expected, that in years 7 and 8, students read for 20 minutes per day for homework. This is a compulsory element of the English curriculum here at St Peter and St Paul's school. Age appropriate reading ages and levels are imperative for success across all GCSEs and for later on in life; reading is a key life skill necessary in all walks of life. Regular reading also helps to inspire and educate students in line with subject content across the curriculum.

Unfortunately, your child has not completed their reading homework; this is evident using our programme. Once finishing a book, they should perform an online quiz on their current reading book. The programme also provides us with the amount of words read and minutes spent reading. It also enables us to identify areas where your son or daughter may need additional support. As they are falling short on their reading minutes, we are asking for your support to ensure that they complete their 20 minutes per day. You have also received this letter because, despite being invited to Reading Club to catch up, your child has not turned up.

To ensure your child's reading ability increases, this needs to be done on a regular basis. Your child may read books at home as well, but if they are not on Accelerated Reader, they need to select a book from our school library. The book should be the appropriate level and, during term time, your son or daughter should quiz within 48 hours of finishing the book. It should not take more than two weeks for you to quiz your next book. Your son or daughter should pass a consecutive number of tests to progress through the reading levels.

Reading is an important aspect of education and supports your child's ability to access the whole curriculum as they progress through school. Please help support their reading by ensuring they complete 20 minutes a day and that they have a reading book at all times.

Thank you for your time and co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

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