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2019 Reading Challenge

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term we are setting a whole school reading challenge, which has been introduced to all of the children as part of an assembly this week. Each day your child reads at home they will earn 'reading miles' for their class. To earn a mile all the children have to do is read at home and have their reading record signed. The 'reading miles' will be totalled each week and the winning class will be announced in assembly on a Tuesday, where they will be presented with a reading trophy. The class that has earnt the most miles by the end of the challenge will also win a book voucher to buy books for their class book corners.

All miles earnt will help the children to 'Trek to Tokyo', which is where the 2020 Olympics are being held. Tokyo is 5,998 miles away from Bearwood, so they have many miles to earn in order to complete the challenge!

We are setting this challenge to encourage children to read at home, as reading is such an important activity. Here are 8 reasons why reading is so important:

- 1. Children who read often make good progress in reading.
- 2. Reading exercises our brains.
- 3. Reading improves concentration.
- 4. Reading teaches children about the world around them.
- 5. Reading improves a child's vocabulary and develops their language skills.
- 6. Reading develops a child's imagination.
- 7. Reading is a great form of entertainment.
- 8. Reading relaxes the body and calms the mind.

Please encourage your children to read for 10 minutes each day and help them to earn miles by signing their reading records and encouraging them to hand them in each day.

Yours Sincerely

















