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Dear Parents and Carers,

Reading remains an important part of our curriculum here at Old Town Infant School and Nursery. We are always developing how we teach and support children's reading to ensure our curriculum is the best it can be.

We have been doing some work around how we improve fluency amongst our young readers.

Fluency is the ability to read accurately and comprehend what is being read.

A proven, successful strategy to develop fluency is for children to re-read books. This gives children a chance to rehearse their decoding skills so that they are beginning to recognise words without the need of sounding them out. Once they are able to do this, they will have more time to think about what they are reading and develop their comprehension.

From now on, children will continue to bring the same book home until there is improvement in their fluency and comprehension. The best thing you can do for your child is to give them as many opportunities as possible to read their book. This will help their fluency and comprehension and will result in them being able to bring home new books more regularly.

Thank you for your time and support in your child's reading development.

Best wishes,

Mrs Cameron (English Lead and Assistant Headteacher)