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Word Ladders & Home Learning

Dear parents/ Carers,

After Christmas reception are going to be introducing a new challenge called

WORD LADDERS.

You will receive a pack of 15 word ladders, each ladder containing between 5-8 words. These words will either be:

Tricky words - words that cannot be decoded using phonics and just need to be learnt e.g. he, she.

High frequency words - words that appear often when reading and can be decoded using phonics e.g. in, at, if, on.

The children will be expected to practise recognising these words at home on a daily basis, starting with Word Ladder 1, until they can confidently read them out of order. Each week, an adult at school will go through these words with the children, and if they can read all of the words on their ladder, they will receive a special certificate to take home. Once they have received their certificate they are able to move on to learning the words on the next ladder. If the children manage to complete ALL 15 LADDERS and collect all 15 certificates, they will win a **special prize!**

As well as Word Ladders we are also sending home a log-ins for Lexia Reading Core5, a web-based reading program and Ten Town, a web-based maths program. The details for these are included in your Home Learning Pack. We expect children to use these programs for a minimum of 10mins at home each week. Teachers can monitor progress and award certificates for progression.

If you have any questions please speak to a member of staff, we look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Many thanks

The Foundation Stage team



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