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Dear Parents and Carers,

Your child will be taking part in "Readathon" which is a sponsored reading event that raises money to provide new books and storytellers to seriously ill children in hospital in the UK.

The idea is very simple - your child chooses which books they would like to read and asks family/friends to sponsor them. We would love the children to try to read as many books as possible over four weeks from 23<sup>rd</sup> January until 17<sup>th</sup> February.

Everyone will bring home a sponsorship booklet to complete and the money raised can be returned to school or payments made online via the Readathon website - [www.readathon.org/sponsor](http://www.readathon.org/sponsor).

The school will also receive 20% of the total sponsorship amount raised in book vouchers to enhance our current library stock.

Reading for pleasure should be encouraged whenever possible, which makes this event so worthwhile. Research repeatedly shows that young people who regularly read are more likely to do well throughout their lives. It is also a great opportunity to discover which books, authors and genres they enjoy the most.

Many thanks,

Mr W Kesterson and The Readathon Team

*PS: Your details will not be used by Readathon for any other purpose. No pupil information is recorded in this process to ensure appropriate data protection*