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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you to tell you about some important changes to our systems for reading and phonics at Lydford.

We are very excited that the Dartmoor Cooperative Trust has invested in a brand new, much needed phonics and reading scheme for Lydford. We have taken delivery of a very large number of books and teaching materials and have been completing the training and gradually introducing the different lesson elements to our class and have already started to see the positive effects of the scheme.

Changes to reading at home.

- No more book banded books being sent home
- **All** children will be encouraged to choose books from the school library to take home and share.
- Once your child's group starts the reading lessons (some have started already, the rest will do so in the next two weeks) they will bring home the group reader or a book that compliments it. **Please send this book to school every day, as we also need the books in class.**
- Those children who are 'free readers' will continue to select their own books.

We will shortly be offering an information evening for parents about the new scheme. In the meantime there are parent videos available here: [Parents - Ruth Miskin Phonics Training](#)

Many thanks for your patience and support, as always,

Mrs Luxford