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Dear Parent/ Carer,

As the Summer holidays approach, we are asking for your support in two key areas of English over the break.

Firstly, we would really value your support in helping your child maintain or develop good reading habits over the summer. We know that encouraging children to read is becoming increasingly difficult as books compete with the constant appeal of screens. However, fostering a love for reading has never been more important. Regular reading doesn't just enhance creativity, widen vocabulary, and ignite imaginations: it also builds the crucial stamina needed for concentrating on long-form content and tackling difficult tasks.

Research shows that building a dedicated, regular reading time into each day is the single best way to form a lasting reading habit. To encourage this, we have launched a Summer Reading Challenge: **Book Bingo**.

- Students should aim to read regularly - ideally every day - and **complete at least one row** (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal) on their Book Bingo card.
- Before the end of term, we will provide your child with a hard copy of the Bingo card. We ask that you **sign the card**, in the relevant box, when you are satisfied that they have completed a reading task.
- To help your child choose their next book, we are also attaching this list of [recommended books](#) tailored to their year group.

Secondly, we want all students to complete **at least 30 minutes a week on Bedrock** throughout the holidays. This consistent practice ensures their language skills remain active and ready for the new school year. As outlined at the start of the academic year, Bedrock is an online learning tool that helps children to learn key academic vocabulary. This is an ideal complement to regular reading. Furthermore, data analysis demonstrates that students who regularly engage with Bedrock in KS3 are significantly more successful in their KS4 studies and GCSEs.

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Should you require any technical support with the software over the holidays, Bedrock has a dedicated team that can be contacted by a support link located at the bottom of the screen when logged in to an account, or, equally, accessed by emailing: support@bedrocklearning.org.

Thank you for your invaluable support.

Yours faithfully,



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