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Dear Families,

KS1 and KS2 Reading and Writing Parent/Carer Workshop

Mr Barson, our English Lead, has recorded a workshop for parents and carers explaining how we teach English in KS1 and KS2 and advising on techniques and activities you can use at home to help your child progress in their reading and writing. This video will be on Google Classroom for you to watch at home in your own time.

There will then be drop-in sessions with Mr Barson so that you can ask questions about what you saw on the workshop video and discuss how best to support your child. You can attend in person or log in to a Google meet at the same time. The Google Meet links will be sent out shortly.

KS1 drop in: **Tuesday 21st November 3:30pm** in Riley Classroom

KS2 drop in: **Wednesday 22nd November 3.30pm** in Riley Classroom

Please watch the video on Google Classroom **before** the drop-in sessions.

Questions we will aim to answer:

Reading

- *how can I support with reading at home?*
- *what do the colour bands mean?*
- *what is phonics and how can I support with learning new sounds?*
- *what should my child be able to do by the end of the year?*
- *how is reading taught at school?*

Writing

- *how can I support with handwriting at home?*
- *what are fine motor skills and how can I support with developing my child's pencil grip?*
- *what should my child be able to do by the end of the year?*
- *how is writing taught at school?*
- *how can reading support my child's writing?*

If you would like any of this information before the workshop you can find it all on our website:

- [Previous Parent/Carer Workshops](#)
- [The English Curriculum at King Athelstan](#)

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Ahearn
Deputy Headteacher

