

8 February 2023

Dear Parents

## Years 4, 5 & 6 School Reading Competition

During the half term holidays, all pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 will be expected to practise reading a passage from a book **lasting between 1 and 3 minutes**. LAMDA pieces and poems should not be used as a reading. Class readings will take place on our return from half term, and the top two or three from each class will go through to a school final.

Parents of the finalists will be invited to attend the final on Monday 6 March, starting at 2.00pm in the Kerruish Hall, where the contestants will recite their prepared reading to parents and their peers.

All finalists in Years 5 and 6 will also have to present an unsighted reading on the day. They will have 90 seconds to view the reading before having to present it to the audience. The top reader from each year group will receive a cup, and all finalists will be awarded a certificate.

All contestants will be marked on clarity, fluency, intonation, presentation, use of punctuation and entertainment value.

Care must be taken when selecting a passage to ensure that the reading is both entertaining and of a high standard.

Just a reminder that on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March we will be recognising World Book Day (pupils are encouraged to come in costume, with their favourite book). Please be aware of the link below which offers many fantastic activities for you to share with your child at home.

[Families - World Book Day](#)

Yours sincerely

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Headmaster