Reading

During Year 3 children should be able to:

- read for at least 10 15 minutes each night to an adult and read short novels with increasing independence and enjoyment
- listen to adults reading stories or chapters of the books to them
- are able to make predictions and answer questions about the main characters and the setting
- talk about why they like or dislike a book
- begin to identify favourite authors and read more books written by that author
- read and talk about more complex/technical words to extend their own understanding and vocabulary
- are able to find information using the contents page and index in a non-fiction book
- read a whole range and variety of texts including stories, newspapers, magazines, information books, poetry books
- read for sustained periods of time in an environment that is comfortable and with few distractions.

By the end of Year 3, children will be reading more fluently and competently, reading a range of books for pleasure and interest. Children should have a clearly established routine.