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Dear Parents and Carers

In Nursery the children have been enjoying listening to stories in the book corner and at story time. Some particular favourites have been Big Blue Train by Julia Jarman and Adrian Reynolds and How to Grow a Dinosaur by Caryl Hart and Ed Eaves.

Sharing books is an essential part of developing communication and language skills. Through stories children can express their own thoughts and emotions, learn new exciting words and build the foundations for language development.

As parents, you play an important role in this by encouraging your child to develop an interest in books and developing a daily routine of reading together.

After half term we will be opening the Oak Class library. The children will be able to choose a book to take home and share with you. Alongside the book, we will also be sending home a story diary which will have the title of the book and the date on which it was borrowed. Please read this story with your child and share any comments your child makes about the book in the comments section of the diary. This will provide us with a good knowledge of your child's understanding of the story. Included are some top tips for sharing stories with your child.

The Nursery library day will be a Friday. The books need to be returned each Friday so your child can borrow another book. If you have a current Herts County Council DBS check with us, and you are free to spend a couple of hours to support the children in choosing a book to take home, please sign up on the 'can you help' sheet in the cloakroom.

Thank you for your continuing support.

The Nursery Team

