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Dear Parents and Carers

As you will all be aware, after a generous donation from the PTA, we were able to purchase another set of Big Cat reading books to enable us to send paper copies of the books home. Unfortunately, the books are not being returned to school on Thursdays despite reminders to do so and some of the books are coming back damaged and torn. We recognise that books get damaged, and accidents happen, but we would ask that you let us know and either replace the damaged book or pay £5 to replace it.

These books are used in school for reading practice sessions three times a week which is the priority for their use; books filtering back on different days is causing difficulty in filing them back into the correct place, which is making for an inefficient system. The books must be returned in good condition on the correct day otherwise this system will have to be reviewed and it may be that we go back to the e-books. This is not what we would wish to do, as we recognise most people prefer paper books, but we have to consider the smooth running of the classes and the ability to run the reading books in school. This matter will be reviewed before Christmas, and we will inform you of the decision.

Yours Sincerely,

Catherine Burrell
Head of School