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Dear parents/carers

As part of our World Book Day celebrations this year we will be holding a sponsored reading event between **Monday 12th February and Sunday 25th February**.

The aim of this **two week** reading challenge is to encourage all children at Shirley Junior School to spend more of their free time reading for pleasure. As well as reading at home, the children will be encouraged by their class teachers to log any time they spend reading within the school day.

How does the reading challenge work?

- Every time your child reads between **Monday 12th February and Sunday 25th February** they will need to log the amount of time they spend reading for pleasure on the reading log sheet attached to this letter.
- The children will also be encouraged to log any time they spend reading for pleasure in school on their reading log sheet.
- Family and friends can sponsor your child by pledging an amount of money for a specific amount of time on the sponsorship form attached to this letter.
- Pledges could be 1p per minute of reading, 10p per half an hour of reading or 30p per hour of reading. The amount you pledge is up to you!
- At the end of the reading challenge, the time your child spent reading for pleasure will need to be totalled and sponsorship money collected.
- Sponsorship money will need to be handed into the school office in a named envelope by **Monday 12th March** along with your child's reading log and completed sponsorship form.

All of the pledges from the reading challenge will go towards updating our school's library collection.

Thank you for your continued support

Happy Reading!

Mrs Davie
Literacy Leader

**Executive Headteacher: Mrs. H Hayter BEd, NPQH Head of School: Mrs. A Hixon BEd Hons
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