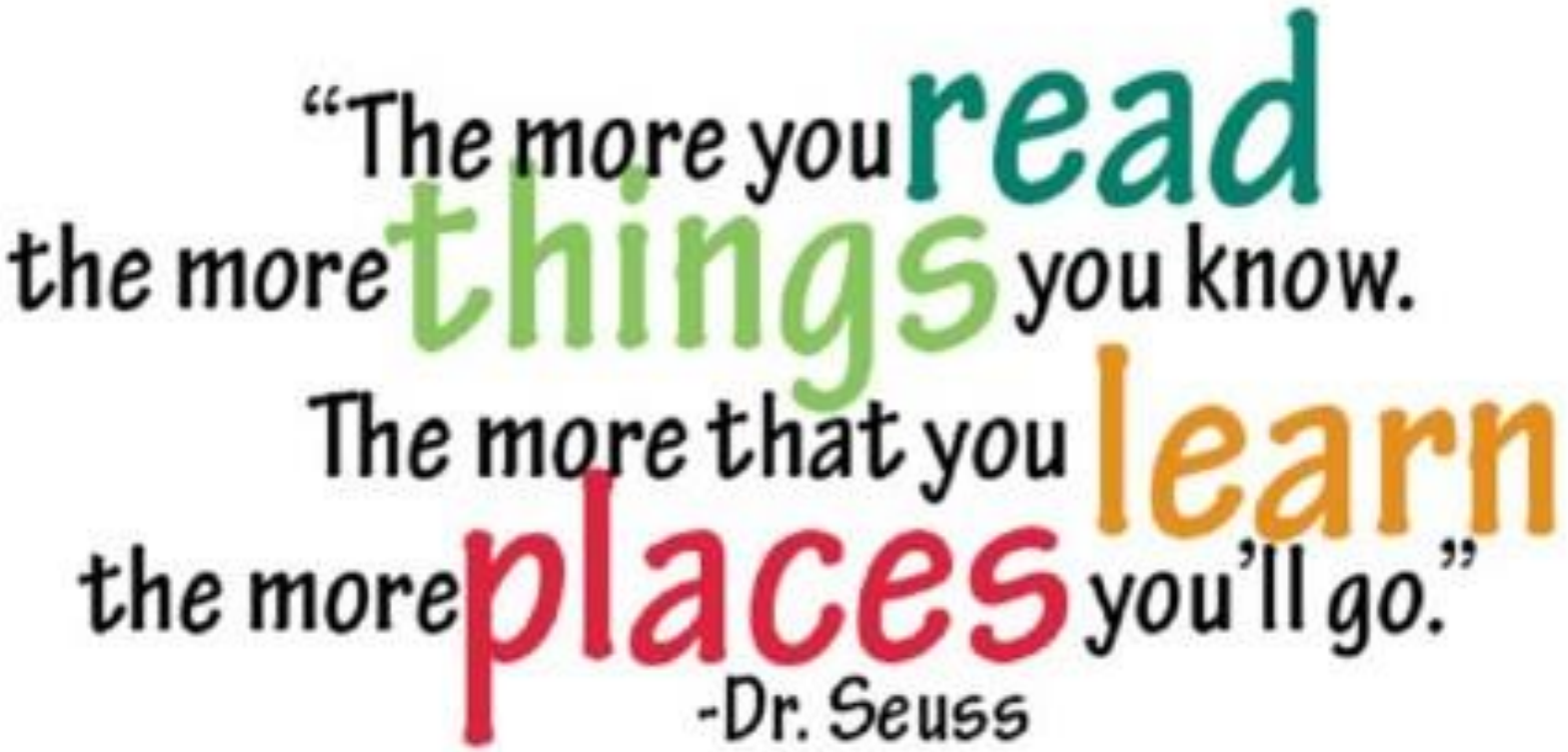

"The more you read
the more things you know.
The more that you learn
the more places you'll go."
-Dr. Seuss

Reading at Gilnow

<u>Why is reading so important?</u>

Reading helps your child to develop their understanding of both the **world** and the **English language**, building their own **communication skills**.

Reading provides the basis for all learning and helps your child in all aspects of their school life so they can ***strive for success***.

Reading at Gilnow

When should my child read?

We ask parents to read with their child at least **3** times a week. Even **5 minutes** a day can make a **huge** difference!





Reading at Gilnow

Writing in your child's diary

[CHILD'S NAME] read …

[CHILD'S NAME] talked about…

[CHILD'S NAME] enjoyed…

[CHILD'S NAME] learnt…

[CHILD'S NAME] struggled with…

[CHILD'S NAME] didn't understand…

Reading at Gilnow

Gilnow has a 'reading rockets' scheme. Your child gains up to three stars a week for reading at home with you!

They can also earn Dojo points which lead to prizes!



Changing books

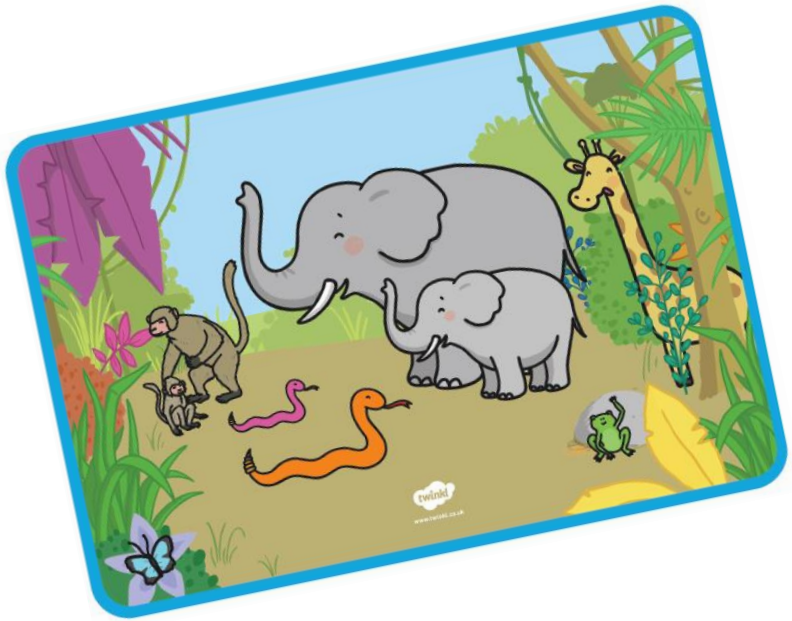
If you read at home, your child's reading book will be changed by the teacher when they read again at school.

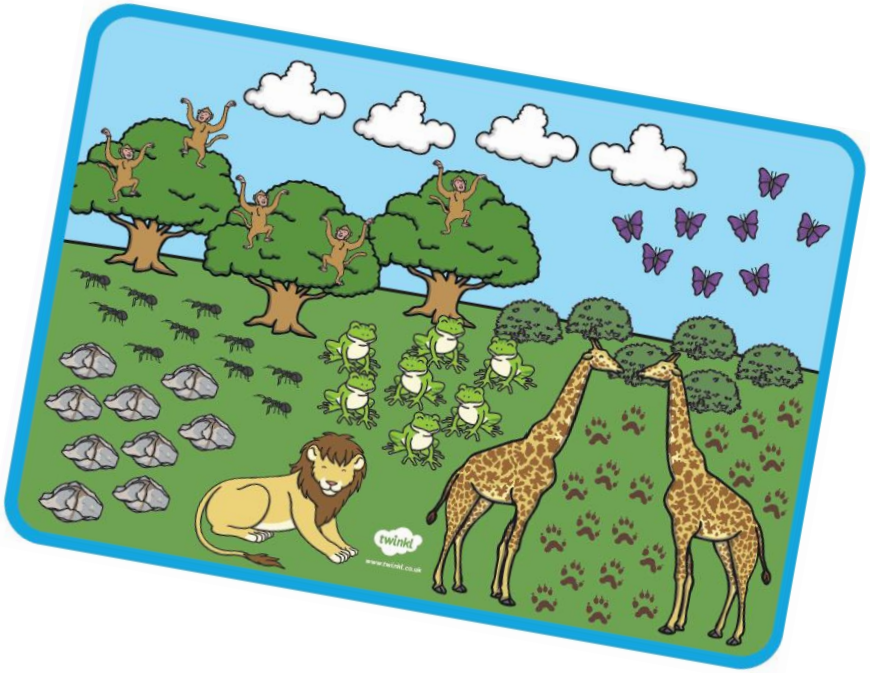
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Starting to read

The very first books your child will get...

have no words!





2 to 3 years

- Ask "What is that?" or "Where is the dog?"
- Be willing to read the same book over and over again.
- As you read, talk about the pictures.
- Let your child choose which book to read. Find stories about things your child likes.

3 to 4 years

- Ask "What happens next?" in familiar stories.
- Point out letters and numbers.
- Point out words and pictures that begin with the same sound.
- Together, make up stories about the pictures.

4 to 5 years

- Relate the story to your child's own experiences.
- Ask your child to tell the story.
- Encourage writing and drawing.
- Point out the letters in your child's name.

Reading at Gilnow



What's in my child's bag?

1. A yellow reading record
2. A reading book
3. Letters and homework to go home
4. Pictures your child has drawn
5. A library book

Important:

1. Bring my book bag with diary, reading book and library book to school each day.
2. Read at home 3 times a week and write in my diary.
3. Have a P.E. kit in school for P.E. on Thursday.
4. Send a bottle of water to school with your child.
5. ALWAYS send a coat.
6. Write my name in my clothes.