



Dear Parents/Carers

Now that the children are settled into their classes and have got routines established we are going to launch our new **ANNUAL READING CHALLENGE** and a **BRAND NEW MATHS CHALLENGE** on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September (next week).

Our reading challenge theme for 2017-18 is **"Sport"** with a focus on running around a race track – and this will be for **ALL pupils from Nursery to Year 6!**

# Sport Reading Challenge!

Our new maths challenge is a "Ninja times tables challenge" and is for **pupils from Year 2 to Year 6 only** and we will be explaining how this will work to the children in school next Friday. Year 1 will be doing a slightly different version of the challenge at their 'level'!

# NINJA Times Table Challenge!

In order to 'launch' both our challenges in style – we have the following activities planned in school next Friday...

1. Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September will be a **non-uniform day** for all pupils – we hope to see as many children as possible (and staff!) coming dressed with either a 'sport' or 'Ninja' theme – I'm sure this gives plenty of possibilities! **The 'fine' for coming in non-uniform is £1 per child.** The money raised will be split between our 'guided reading books fund' and our 'maths resources fund'. **Everyone who brings in their '£1' fine will have their name entered into a prize draw for a chocolate reward!!**



2. At a school assembly that morning the organisation of the maths challenge for Y2 to Y6, the maths challenge for Year 1 and the reading challenge (for everyone) will be outlined...there are some changes in store!!

3. We are also **inviting parents/carers of pupils from Reception to Year 6 to come into school during the afternoon (from 2.15pm)** so that you can:

- find out about the reading and maths challenges for the different year groups
- share a book with your child(ren) to get them started on the bronze bookmark
- get details about the reading and maths/times tables homework expectations for your child this year
- ask any questions you may have!

We very much hope you can support your child with this event and look forward to seeing you on the day!

Yours sincerely

Miss Beeston, Mrs Lister and Miss Fox

