

## Ideas to use when helping your child read

- ✓ Talk about the book before you start reading – ask questions, e.g. What do you think will happen?
- ✓ After a few pages, stop and talk about the story again – ask questions e.g. What do you think will happen next? Why do think that happened?
- ✓ At the end spend a couple of minutes talking about what happened – ask questions e.g. Did you think that would happen? Why? Did you like this book? Why? What was your favourite part? Why? Who was your favourite character? Why?
- ✓ It is ok for your child to make a mistake when reading. Try not to stop him/her straight away. Instead, wait until the end of the page and then go back and talk about what he/she just did – e.g. This is what you said here. Do you think it makes sense? Can it be the word you said? Why?
- ✓ Try to spend 5/10 minutes every day reading with your child. This includes weekends and school holidays.
- ✓ Always remember to praise your child for something he/she did well – e.g. I like the way you ...

Please come and ask me or your child's teacher if you have any problems with any of this information.

Thank you

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