

Dear Parent/Carer,

Research suggests that reading for 20 minutes per day exposes students to 1,800,000 words per year. If students only read for 5 minutes a day, this reduces to 282,000 words per day.

There is a huge amount of evidence which shows that regular reading not only supports students' academic progress but is good for their wellbeing. Over the next week, Year 7 and 8 students will be provided with a reading diary to help them to track and organise their reading.

The English department would be very grateful if you could support your child's reading by:

- Checking that they have read for 20 minutes per day.
- Encouraging your child to log what they have read in their reading diary.
- Read with your son/daughter and leave a comment for their English teacher. We would love to know what you are reading together!
- Remind students to pack their reading diary in their bag alongside their planner. Their diary will be checked once per fortnight during students' LRC lesson.

We have a wide selection of books in the LRC and students are very welcome to choose a new book during their break or lunch times.

For reading suggestions and book recommendations, please visit the LRC section of our website or email our LRC Coordinator Ms Taylor at Andrea.Taylor@Stanway.School.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

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