



Date: Tuesday 9 th January 2018		FAO: Everyone in our school community
Minutes taken by: JE Creative Department Representative		
Agenda Items	Points discussed	Actions
<p>After sharing some stats with the children about the falling numbers of children who 'like reading' and the numbers of children who read for pleasure we discussed and shared our views on reading.</p> <p>We discussed why less children read for pleasure compared to 20 years ago</p>	<p>Children like reading because it's fun, books are exciting, they like to read before bed to inspire dreams, they like fact books to improve learning, like it because it's what their family members always do, enhances vocabulary.</p> <p>Children dislike or do not read for pleasure as they are too busy and do not have the time, they would rather play with their toys.</p> <p>The majority of the children said they liked having stories read to them at home and at school.</p> <p>There are more toys and particularly technology available to them.</p> <p>Some of the children would rather use technology than read and would play games on the devices rather than read.</p> <p>Approx. 1/3 said they would rather read a book than play games because stories are more creative, you get more in-depth information from books, there can be some health risks associated with screens, when reading off a screen at night the blue light</p>	<p>What would encourage and inspire you to read more at school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More picture books or 'older child' texts with pictures • A wider range of books available • A school library • More quiet and/or warm places to read *half the school said they would like to come in to read and lunch time if the option was there • Reading competitions • a book club • Quality displays of good books. <p>To discuss next: what would encourage and inspire you to read more at home?</p>

<p>Combining reading and technology</p>	<p>keeps you awake longer.</p> <p>Some children raised that you can combine technology and reading together- people still read things off of a screen including small articles, posts on social media and there are about 20% children who own an e-reader.</p>	
<p>Date of next meeting</p>	<p>TBC</p>	