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Dear Parent/ Carer

RE: Drop Everything and Read (DEAR)

I am writing to inform you that during the summer term, pupils at Springfield will be taking part in Drop Everything and Read lessons. Students will read for approximately 20 minutes during a scheduled lesson each week.

Research suggests that reading for just under half an hour each day is the best way for children to improve their reading ability. As all GCSE examinations are set at a reading age of 15.7 months, we aim to help all our students improve their reading ability. Not only has reading fluency been proven to improve outcomes for students, as a school, we recognise the importance of reading for pleasure.

In preparation for this, all students will be expected to bring their reading book to school every day. Tutors will be checking this during registration after the February half-term break to ensure that all students are prepared.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,



Victoria Brunning
Assistant Headteacher