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Dear Blaise Families,

We are writing to thank you again for your ongoing support. Last week saw yet another increase in the amount of green points accrued by students. Please continue to be on the lookout for children coming home with golden tickets. Each golden ticket counts for five positive points. Please also continue to use class charts to monitor student progress. If you are still without access please do call us so we can provide you with instructions on how to do so. This week we are writing to you about the Tutor Time Reading Programme.

Tutor Time Reading Programme

At Blaise High School, we have an extended tutor time in the morning. Our morning tutor time session runs from 8:45am - 9:25am. One of these sessions per week is an assembly and the other four are used for our fantastic tutor time reading programme. We also use this time to check that everyone has the right equipment and to replace equipment that is missing. A student will only get a detention if they miss 3 pieces of equipment in a week. All of our students' equipment is in a 30cm pencil case because this is what is required in public exams and it prepares students for this.

During the Tutor Time Reading Programme (TTRP), students are read to by their tutor and they follow the reading by tracking with a ruler. All of the evidence is clear that students' reading ages improve more and faster, if they are read to, rather than if they read independently. Our selection of books is chosen across Greenshaw Learning Trust and is diverse, inclusive and culturally representative. Over the course of five years students will access phenomenal volume and quality of literature, increasing their cultural capital and developing their reading ages. We know that the ability to read fluently is essential in ensuring students achieve the very best outcomes possible. The leaders of the school walk the building during TTRP and go in and read to students as well. We welcome any visits during TTRP, or any stage of the school day and would always encourage visitors to read.

Please email us on info@blaisehighschool.co.uk to book your school in action tour.

Wishing you a fantastic week.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N Nabarro
Headteacher

