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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Read for Good Readathon

We are delighted to be running a **Read for Good Readathon** to promote the obvious benefits and joy of reading and we'd love for your child to join in with our 2000 book challenge in March.

The charity **Read for Good** encourages children to read through its unique motivational approach, inspiring reluctant readers to give reading a go, and keen readers to read more widely. Students can choose whatever they want to read, they are not being assessed, it's all about reading for fun. They are motivated to read because the money they raise in sponsorship helps to provide a regular supply of brand new books and a resident storyteller to every major children's hospital in the UK.

Students in Years Seven and Eight can log their reading through *Accelerated Reader,* which they will do as part of their usual reading routine. Students in Years Nine to Eleven will have a Google form to keep track of their reading.

If possible, please help your child find sponsors among family and friends. To sponsor a child, go to <a href="https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor">https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor</a> and type in 'Outwood Academy Valley' to donate to our fundraising campaign.

Please support your child's sponsored read as much as you can. They'll be helping children in hospitals gain wider access to books, as well as helping themselves. At the end of the campaign, our school receives free books worth 20% of our grand sponsorship total – so there really is something in it for everyone.

For more information visit <a href="https://www.readforgood.org">www.readforgood.org</a>.

Yours faithfully,

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