



# ST ALBAN'S RC HIGH SCHOOL

The Park, Pontypool, Torfaen NP4 6XG

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Y Parc, Pontypwl, Torfaen NP4 6XG

**Headteacher:** Michael Coady BSc

25th September 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As you may be aware, your child completed a Welsh Government National Reading Test in May of this year. Following the results of these tests, your child has been identified as someone who would benefit from some extra support with reading to help them improve.

In order to do this, we are offering your child one Guided Reading session with a teacher per week during form time. This will involve small group reading with a teacher. This scheme was trialled last year and was very successful, enabling students to make notable progress.

However, as you know, in order for your child to really improve, it is recommended that they read for at least 20 minutes a day, preferably to an adult. With that in mind, if you and your child opt to take part in this scheme, it is hoped that your child reads regularly at home and reports back during their weekly Guided Reading session. This will involve your child recording how much they read and you, as a parent or guardian, signing and commenting in their Reading Log Book on a weekly basis in order to track their progress.

To support you at home, we would like to invite you to a short meeting which will take place in B10 from 4pm to 5pm on Wednesday 7th October. Hopefully, we will be able to explain the scheme to you and provide you with some ideas and resources to help your child at home. If you wish to attend this meeting, please confirm via email ([sarahokeefe@Stalbans.SchoolsEdu.org.uk](mailto:sarahokeefe@Stalbans.SchoolsEdu.org.uk)) by Monday 5th October or contact the school directly.

If you do not wish to attend but are happy for your child to take part in this programme, please complete the form below and return it to school by Monday 5th October. Thank you, as always, for your support in helping your child to improve.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah O'Keefe  
(Literacy Coordinator)

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I am happy/not happy for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the sessions.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_