**Year 3 and 4 Reading Top Tips**

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| **How parents can help …**   * Give reading importance by reading together daily, let them see you read as well! * Don’t let them struggle on words for too long, help by sounding it out or move on and work it out together * Take it in turns to read, this helps build a love of longer books which can seem daunting * Read a range of texts - reading is reading! * Praise them for trying. * Use questioning but don’t ruin the flow of the story | **Reading for Pleasure**  Make it fun ..   * Talk about the story as you go along * Recap before you start and summarise when you have finished * Visit the library and borrow books to read together * Read items in everyday life: menus, signs, recipes, newspapers, (TV/films) * Try factual books and comics or magazines |
| **Key Skills**   * I can find and retrieve information from within a text * I can infer and deduce information, events or ideas from a text * I can explain the structure and organisation of the text * I can explain and comment on the author’s use of language * I can identify and comment of the writers’ purposes and viewpoints and overall effect of the text on the reader |  |
| **Talk about the text...**  Who/What/When?  Where/Why/How?  What/Why do you think…. ? What makes you think that?  How do you know …. is feeling ….? | **Model**  Children love to do as adults do, show them you enjoy reading too.  Why not take a book from the Highlees Book Swap, there are lots of books, suitable for all tastes.  Books are free but donations are welcome! |