

Take-Home Notes

Using the **praise, wait, and then tell** method

When you listen to your child reading, please:



PRAISE

- when he/she tries hard
- when he/she corrects mistakes
- when he/she reads with expression

WAIT

to give him/her time to work out problems or self-correct

AND THEN

TELL

your child the word that he/she is struggling with and ask him/her to try reading again from the start of the sentence.

REMEMBER

- Your child should hold the book.
- If your child needs to point to keep his/her place, he/she should not point to every word but should simply slide his/her left hand down the left margin. You do not point for him/her.
- Ask questions about the book and discuss it so that you can check your child's understanding of the story.



Dear.....



Your child,, is taking part in the **New Heights** program at school to give him/her extra reading practice.

In the **New Heights** program, students listen to stories as they silently read along. This program helps them to improve their reading and comprehension skills as well as their attitude to reading.

If your child brings home a book and/or a reading pen, please follow the instructions on the bookmark they bring with them.

If you would like to know more about the program or would like to see it working in our school, please contact me.

Signed.....

