

# Reading Karate

## Reading Karate Bands

After two years of interruptions, we are returning to Reading Karate and hoping to make this year more successful with more children achieving their black band. We know from experience and research, that those children who read regularly are usually the most successful in their education and gain a habit of a lifetime. We hope that it will encourage your child to read at home and help them to achieve different coloured wristbands. The table below demonstrates the allocation of wristbands. We will award wristbands in whole school assemblies on a Friday.

### Number of Reads Coloured Wristband

10	White
30	Yellow
60	Orange
90	Green
120	Blue
150	Purple
180	Red
210	Black

If your child is a 'choice' reader it is their responsibility to write their reads with numbers into their reading record. If your child is reading a book from the reading scheme you will need to sign in their reading record and date it. Only reading books will count towards reading karate. Tater Du children can share stories and books with their family and this can be included as a read until they get their school reading books. Parents **MUST** sign each read in the reading record. By dating and numbering the reads class teachers can quickly identify what band your child has achieved. Please begin with number 1 and continue up to 190 which is how many reads is needed for the black band, once your child has achieved their black band, they will keep it and can then repeat the cycle, but as black plus white and so on.

Your child should be reading for a minimum of 10 minutes to count as one read.

Only 1 read will be counted per day but of course you are welcome to record all reading in your child's reading record.

**It is very important that all reads are recorded and dated in the child's reading record, so we are able to accurately update our records each week when we change the books.**

Children will continue to swap wristbands until they achieve their black wristband. Children can keep their black wristband. Wristbands will be cleaned and stored to ensure they are safe for the children. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask the class teacher. Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Mister Curnow