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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are planning to re-stock our library and need your help!

We all want our children to read to the best of their ability and give them the opportunity to read a variety of books to enable them to learn to read independently and with confidence. In our school library children take responsibility for selecting and reading a variety of texts including fiction, poetry and non-fiction and we will be asking the children about their favourite story books and any non-fiction topics they are interested in.

We would welcome recommendations from you to help us make the best choices, so if you have enjoyed a story book with your child or a series of stories or have a favourite author please let us know. We are also interested in hearing about information books you think would reflect their needs and interests.

When reading with your child it is important to spend a few minutes at the end of the session to talk about the story or subject to see how well they have understood what they have read. To get you started we have listed overleaf some examples of open and closed questions that you can ask about a text.

Please use the slip below to send in your recommendations.

Thank you.

Kingsway Infant School - Library Books

I would like to recommend -

Fiction - We would read



Non-Fiction - in the school library we need more information books about

QUESTIONING COMPREHENSION

Examples of open and closed questions you can ask about a text:

- Which character is your favourite?
- Which was the best bit of the story?
- Where is the story set?
- Who are the characters in the story?
- What happens in the middle of the story?
- What is the problem in the story?
- Can you find some timing words that indicate when events took place?
- What happened after
- Describe what happened when
- How didmake you feel?
- Why isimportant?
- What does this tell us about howis feeling/thinking?
- Have you ever had a similar experience? How did you feel?
- Who do you know is like
- Could this have happened in
- What might happen next?
- Can you think of three words that describe a character's appearance?
- Can you retell stories, giving the main points in sequence?
- Look at the cover and the title of a book. What do you think might happen in the story?
- Do you agree or disagree with the author? Why?
- If you want to find out abouthow could you do it?
- What is the best place to for information about.....?