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Dear parents/carers.

Next term we will be studying a couple of books in class as part of our guided reading lessons. The purpose of guided reading is not just to improve the reading skills of pupils, but to develop their love of reading and introduce them to a range of texts they might not otherwise choose themselves.



*Beowulf: Dragon Slayer* by Rosemary Sutcliff is a retelling of one of our oldest stories. It will not only help children to develop a strong understanding of our culture, but this version is very well written and models much of the punctuation Class 4 will be learning this year.



*Coraline* by Neil Gaiman is well known as a modern children's classic, created by one of our most successful children's authors and recently adapted into a film. It is an engaging story that will provide plenty of discussion and inspiration for the classroom.

Both these books can be picked up new and used for under £5 from Amazon.co.uk or Abebooks.co.uk. among other websites. There is no preferred edition or publisher for either book. If you have any trouble picking either of these two books up, the school will be able to provide a few spares for class.

Yours Sincerely

Mr Berry

