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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to invite you to join our new and exciting shared reading project. The aim of the project is to encourage the enjoyment of reading in the school by having as many Elements students as possible, along with their teachers and parents, reading the same book at the same time.

The book we have chosen is the fabulous 'The Lion, the witch and the wardrobe' by C S Lewis. I am sure this book will be familiar to many students and parents from the recent film and I know that some students will have read it. However, there is much to be gained from revisiting a text and I hope that our online discussion suggestions will help even the most jaded readers rediscover the joy of this classic text.

Teachers will begin to mention the book during lessons and assemblies just after half term, so it would be helpful if students begin to read the book over the holiday. Copies of the text are readily available from all good bookshops, but do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to purchase a copy through the school.

The most important aspect of the project is that parents read the book alongside their children as this is the most powerful way to encourage reading in the young.

If you intend to be involved in the project please send me an e-mail to the following address:

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Yours sincerely,

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