

An initial report on our new Daily Reading Programme at Sill I Rise International School - Nairobi.



SUMMARY

Topics of discussion









DAILY READING

Research in Kenya

The following data was collected between January and March 2024 as part of an annual project to improve literacy standards at Still I Rise International School - Nairobi.

The project includes a daily reading hour and a library session once a week for all students throughout the year.





"...since its introduction, this has improved my reading skills and grammar."

Christopher Student



DAILY READING

Objectives

Library session and reading hour aim to promote information literacy, aligning with the IB learner profile attributes of knowledgeable and thinkers.

These sessions also emphasize the development of Approaches to Learning (ATL) skills, particularly communication, research, and thinking.





Reading progress

Books Read

Number of books read between Jan-Mar 2024:





Reading Goal

Targeted total number of books to read in 2024:



Accomplishments

Percentage of books read against 2024 goal:

26%









READING HOUR

Reading hour

Led by all teachers supervising the classes on different days, reading hour takes place in the classroom, with students engaging in one hour of reading every day.

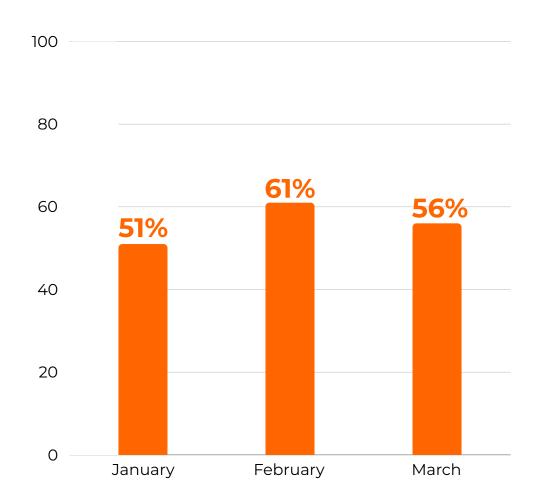




Objectives

During the designated reading hour, the objective is to facilitate independent reading among students and foster fluency.

During reading hours students focus on reading their books aiming to read at least two books per month.



Percentage of students who read at least 2 books per month



"Reading hour has helped us track the reading of the kids better."

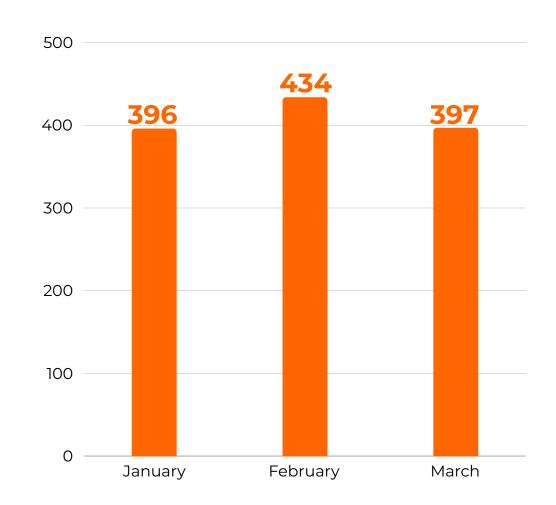
Nekesa English Teacher and Librarian



Method

The supervising teacher actively encourages students to maintain focus on their chosen book and employ key reading skills questions to guide students in understanding the text when needed.

Examples of these prompts could be: "What is the main character learning in this story?", "What would you do if you were in this situation?" and "What do you think might happen next? Why?"



Number of books read per month





3

LIBRARY SESSION



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Library sessions

During the library session, the primary goal is to facilitate progress in students' book report writing. The emphasis here is on reflecting upon reading through the act of writing the book report.

To assess reading progress, students complete written book reports. These allow them to reflect on the book, work on their reading skills, and improve writing.





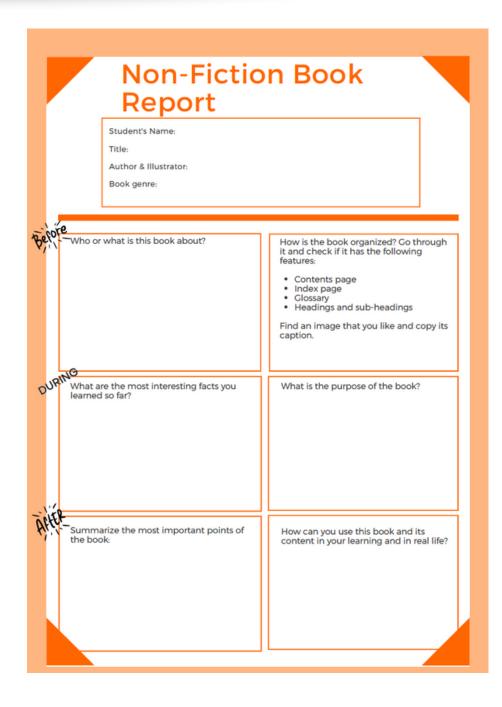
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Book report

The book report is a working document that students engage with before, during, and after reading the book.

It is structured to enhance various reading skills, including retrieval, vocabulary development, inference making, prediction, summarising, comparison, contrast, and commentary on the author's choices.





LIBRARY SESSION

"Book reports writing helps improving responses in other subject areas."

> Adams Mathematics Teacher

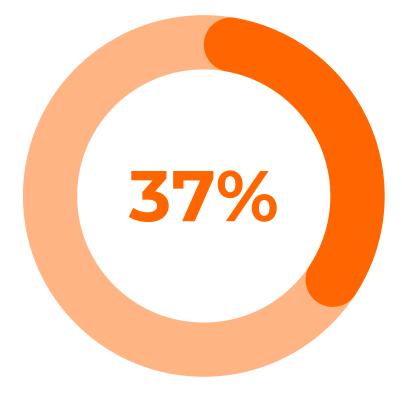


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Reading tracker

The reading tracker is a vital part of the reading culture as it helps the whole team monitor the reading progress of each child.

The reading tracker provides a chronological written record of all the books taken, read and returned by the students along with their completed book reports.



Percentage of students on track with their yearly reading challenge





CONCLUSIONS



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Future Goals

Daily reading serves as a learning strategy embraced by Still I Rise to nurture independent learning among students.

Launched recently at Still I Rise International School Nairobi, it has swiftly influenced the school's learning culture. Though in its early stages, we strive for its full integration, while extending it to other Still I Rise schools worldwide.





CHANGING THE WORLD TOGETHER, ONE CHILD AT A TIME.

