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Dear Parents and Carers,

Cuddles has been busy visiting your homes and sharing lots of stories. Thank you to everyone who has shared photographs from their experience. If anyone has any still to send, we would love to see these too. The children love showing their friends and telling us all about what Cuddles did at their house. These can be shared via your Child's Learning Journal or by emailing [daily.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:daily.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)

A selection of the books that have been used alongside some new additions have now been added to our **Home Lending Library** for everyone to share and enjoy. We would love to see engagement with the Home Lending Library continue to grow.

To date nobody has completed Cuddles punch card challenge. As a reminder, the children were asked to read and return 10 books from the lending library to receive a reward. Once the children return the book, they should see EYC staff who will punch their card. **To make this more achievable and to help gain momentum with the children we will look for only 5 books to be read and returned until the end of November.** A punch card with your child's name has been placed in their individual trays with spares available beside the Lending Library.

You will also find our interactive Cuddles Thinglink page by following the QR code below which will link to an array of online reading resources for you and your child. The EYC staff may have used this page to read some stories too so please take a peek!



Making time to share a story each day offers a golden opportunity to support your child's development and learning. It also helps foster their love of books, language, and imagination – something we aim to nurture both at home and in the EYC.

We greatly appreciate your support in encouraging these routines and in making this a positive and enjoyable experience for your child. Thank you for working with us to help your little ones grow a lifelong love of stories.

With warm regards,  
*The Early Years Team*