



Edgewood Primary School

Building skills and values for life

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Dear parents/carers

Reading in Nursery

Reading books aloud to children stimulates their imagination and expands their understanding of the world. It helps them develop language and listening skills and prepares them to understand the written word. That is why we read a story to the children every session and share books with them in the book corner on a daily basis.

Please use this reading diary to record any reading that you do with your child at home. This could be reading the books that your child borrows from our book box or school library, a bedtime story or reading signs and symbols when you are out and about.

We are challenging the children to share at least 15 books at home every half term. If they achieve this they will be rewarded with a certificate and a finger puppet to take home. There will then be a chance to work towards the reward again during the following half term. We will use your comments in the diary to keep track of the number of books shared.

Please note that books borrowed from our classroom will be changed on a **Tuesday and a Thursday** so please ensure they are in your child's bag on those days. We will also be **visiting the library on a Friday** where we will be helping the children to take out 1 book per week. We will keep a library return box in the classroom on a Friday for you to drop your library books into. We will then take these with us to the library to return.

Every Thursday there will be an opportunity for you to come in and share books with your child. The morning parent reading will take place between 9-9.10am and the afternoon will be between 12.30-12.40pm. We will share books with any children without a parent present. This will start on Thursday 21st September.

Finally, please ensure your child brings a named bag to Nursery with them each day so that we have somewhere to store their borrowed books. This could be either a school book bag or a rucksack large enough to fit books and letters inside.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Miss Heritage and Mrs Newton



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