

Supporting your children with reading at home.

We are very aware that for all our families who are not able to return to school before September continuing their reading journey may be a challenge. We will encourage children with their reading journey by sending out certificates to children who are reading regularly. If your child needs some encouragement, please let us know through email and we can arrange a call or send a message to inspire your child to read.

We would also love to see what your child is reading at home. Take a photo or write an email to show us or tell us what you are reading. We love talking about books and can't wait to see what books you have been enjoying!



Summer term challenge!

Will you be a reading superstar? Get creative and take a photo of reading something unusual. It could be a recipe, a cereal box or a seed packet. We will put your photos up in school for you to see when you return (for Reception and Year 1).

Reading certificates for everyone who sends in a photo.

Do please remember to use the online books. A document with links is attached. Oxford Owls, Phonicsplay comics, The Booktrust and Pearson books are all incredible for offering reading materials online.

Ideas to help get your child engaged with reading.

1. **Join your local library** – Libraries will be reopening from the 4th of July. Please use this service if you can. Let your child choose what they want to read to help them develop their own interests.
2. **Read about something they're interested in** – This could be anything – poetry, comics, non-fiction, a well-loved story.
3. **All reading is good** – Don't rule out recipes, comics, graphic novels, online books, magazines or leaflets. Reading is reading and it's all worthwhile.
4. **Read favourites again and again** – Encourage your child to re-read the books and poems they love. Re-reading helps to build fluency and confidence.
5. **Enjoy bedtime stories** – Read with your kids at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them. Children learn so much from listening to and watching you read. To be a confident reader they need to see it modelled!

Government suggested resources:

The government have compiled a list of useful online resources to support your child with reading during this unprecedented time.

Bug Club

Websites: Bug Club Phonics - www.pearsonprimary.co.uk/BCPhonics

Access through [ActiveLearn Primary](#) to Bug Club Phonics e-books, activities, shared read aloud videos and resources.

Bug Club Reading -

<https://www.pearsonschoolsandfcolleges.co.uk/Primary/Literacy/AllLiteracyresources/BugClub/bug-club-overview.aspx>

Description: Bug Club Phonics has e-books, teaching material and practice games, following the letters and sounds programme. Bug Club reading is a comprehensive primary reading scheme for independent and guided reading. It includes fiction, non-fiction, comics and plays all covering a variety of different genres.

Registration: required for free access to Bug Club Phonics. Form available for [parents to register](#)

Jolly Phonics

Website: www.jollylearning.co.uk

Description: teaching videos covering key skills needed for reading and writing. Access to guidance and a bank of activity sheets covering phonics, grammar, spelling and punctuation.

Letters and Sounds

Websites: [Letters and Sounds for home and school](#) - filmed phonics lessons

Description: filmed phonics lessons that follow phases 2 to 5 of the Letters and Sounds programme for reception, year 1 and learning to blend. Parent guidance videos.

Registration: not required for all open access material. Required to download e-books 'Alphabetic Code and Phonics Skills'.

Read Write Inc.

Websites: www.ruthmiskin.com - filmed phonics lessons

[Oxford Owl Phonics](#) - e-books and activities

Description: phonics, word reading and spelling video lessons on YouTube. Phonics e-books, activities and advice from Oxford Owl

Sound Discovery® Phonics

Websites: www.syntheticphonics.net

[Rapid reading e-books and resources](#)

Description: advice, activities, videos, lesson plans and sample pages for reading, spelling and handwriting. Access to Rapid Phonics e-books and resources.

Sounds-Write

Website: www.sounds-write.co.uk/

Description: online courses and videos for parents, IWB resources, activity workbooks and games.

Audible

Website: <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Description: all children's audiobooks are available for free while schools are closed.

Authorfy

Website: <https://authorfy.com>

Description: access to masterclasses on texts from a range of authors, including videos from the authors and activities linked to novels.

Registration: free during lockdown

BookTrust

Website: <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/bookfinder/>

Description: a site with recommended booklists, categorised by age range and topic, including fiction and non-fiction. Family activities are included in the 'Home Time' section.

Love Reading 4 Kids

Website: <https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/>

Description: a site with recommended booklists, categorised by age range and topic, covering fiction and non-fiction.

Manorfield Primary School

Website: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnEaSVZf7cZR1kNQkuIRoUg/playlists>

Description: YouTube videos covering phonics and reading

National Literacy Trust

Website: <https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/>

Description: a range of family activities to support literacy.

St. Peter's School

Website: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM5pEwawjZt69qmczAiQvg/playlists>

Description: YouTube videos covering phonics, reading, spelling, punctuation and grammar

Storytime with Nick

Website: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDe74j1F52zQ51fqNpKV07E71knNI8HFh>

Description: films of well-loved stories read by Nick Cannon, a trained actor, teacher and trainer available Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2pm.

The Children's Poetry Archive

Website: <https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/>

Description: an archive of spoken poetry recordings. Children can listen to poems read out loud and read poems.

The Reading Agency

Website: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Description: the Summer Reading Challenge takes place during the summer holidays. This year, our challenge features extra special characters designed by the award-winning author and illustrator Laura Ellen Anderson.

Registration: is required