

Wootton Bassett Infants' School



Reading Charter

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School: We will-

- Promote reading through well- resourced book corners, stimulating displays and reading inspired visits and events.
- Read good quality texts to the children every day to inspire a love of reading.
- Offer a book inspired cross curricular approach to learning which encourages the children to read a range of text types.
- Ensure the children read a balance of fiction, non-fiction and poetry.
- In EYFS, the children read individually with an adult at least once a week and record it in their reading record book.
- In KS1 ensure the children read individually or in a group with an adult twice a week and record it in their reading record book.
- Offer the children decodable books that support their phonics progression and develop their decoding, fluency and comprehension.
- Provide the children with reading for pleasure books alongside the decodable books to read and share at home.
- Provide guided reading sessions 4 times a week and opportunities to explore books in our school library once a week.
- Promote reading for pleasure through initiatives like the 100 Books to read before you leave WBI and the 150 club.
- Discuss your child's reading journey, including information about phonics, reading comprehension and their reading habits at home.
- Celebrate the children's reading achievements in assemblies and school newsletters through Raffle Tickets, Stickers and our class rewards: Reading Rockets.

Parents:

Reading to and with your child every day for at least ten minutes can make a dramatic difference to your child's achievement within school. A report from the Oxford University Press highlighted the importance of parents reading with their children. 'Children who read outside of class are 13 times more likely to read above the expected level for their age'.

We expect you to-

- support your child's 'reading journey' through regular reading at home.
- make time to listen to your children read- at least 5 days a week.
- Record your child's reading in their Reading Record book every day (or at least 5 times a week).

- Reading is a special time together, read to your child at least 10 minutes everyday.
- Choose different types of books- read anything.
- Take turns to read.
- Talk about the book- asking your child questions.
- Pay attention to the language, explaining unfamiliar words to your child.
- Be a reading role modelling and show that you enjoy reading yourself.
- Explore different types of reading with your child such as leaflets, magazines, labels and audiobooks.
- Celebrate your child's reading achievements.

Children. We would expect you to-

- Bring your reading folder to school every day.
- Bring your reading record into school every day.
- Change your reading books if you need to with an adult during the school day.
- Read with an adult every day- either at home or school.
- Look after the books in school.

And hopefully you will

- Love books and enjoy reading and listening to stories, poems and rhymes.

Happy Reading!