

Year 3 & 4 Reading Share October 2024



Reading to your child...

Try to read to your child once a day. It's a special time to cuddle up and enjoy a story. Just because they are in Year 3 and 4, doesn't mean this should stop! Stories matter and children love re-reading and sharing a story with someone else. Try adding funny voices and bringing characters to life! You might even choose to have a time to read as a family, where everyone is reading a different book at the same time!



Click the picture for some ideas.

Talk about books!

Encourage your child to read. Reading is powerful. A simple question or challenge can motivate children greatly. Reading can help your child's wellbeing; develop imagination; and has many educational benefits too. Talk about the joy of reading whenever you can. Your child is on an amazing journey to becoming a reader. Put them in the driving seat and have fun on the way! For example, 'choose your favourite story for bedtime tonight.'

Please use the VIPERS question stems to help support your child's reading and comprehension at home.

Reading Records

As children go to Year 3 and 4, we often see less entries in children's Reading Records. Children are learning to record their reading in lower KS2, when before it has been heavily supported by adults. Has your child recorded what they've actually read? You don't need to put a comment from yourself each day, but your child may need support to show their reading week. We sometimes see minimum entries when we know the child is already on their second book of the week!

Reading Records are checked in school every week. If there is something you need to let me know regarding your child's reading, writing in your child's record is an easy way to communicate. Let us know if you want a different book or want to try one from home! You might need me to help you find a particular book or genre for your child. Just let me know and I'm happy to help.

Make use of the school library!

We have worked hard to get the books in school that we have, and we want to share them with you! The barcode (from your child's reading record) will need typing in, for example LL12345. This is followed by the password, which will be our setting code (2020ch) plus the first 4 characters of your child's forename and surname.



Grimoldby **online library system** allows you to:

- See which book your child is currently reading.
- See previous books which have been borrowed and returned.
- Search together for books we have in school.
- Reserve a book.
- Review and recommend previous reads.

Does it have to be a book?

Don't worry too much about the 'what' and 'how' of reading each day. Books are great—but leaflets, comics, recipes and instructions on a webpage can all be great too. Following a recipe to make some cupcakes is valuable reading. Be on the lookout for reading, wherever it is! Libby provides so many free audio books that I'm sure your child would love. All you need is a library card number!



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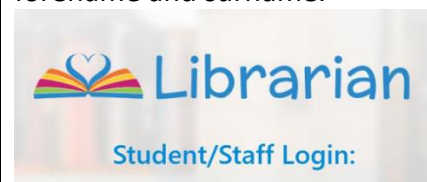
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As children go into Year 5 and Year 6, they begin to take real ownership of their Reading Records. Children are encouraged to write in their record every time they read either to themselves or to an adult. They can keep notes of what's happened, notes on their thoughts or feelings, or notes on how they're finding the book. However, the important thing is that they date the entry and keep a note of what page they're on. That's the minimum expectation.

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