



WELTON READING NEWSLETTER

Ideas for how to support your child with reading at home



Why is reading important?

Learning to read and being read aloud to are crucial for children's development. Not only is it a life skill that will help your child access learning in all areas of the curriculum but it is also an activity that can bring pleasure. That's why it is so important that your child keeps up regular reading at home of reading books at the appropriate level as well as books to share and read aloud for pleasure.

Come to school to change books

Each day there is an opportunity to come into school and collect new reading books. New books will be put in the carpark for your child to collect and there will be a box for you to return old ones. The teachers will put the books out from 10am-2pm on the day that they are in school as follows:

Monday-Reception

Tuesday-Y5 and Y4

Wednesday-Y3

Thursday-Y1 and Y6

Questions to ask your child before, during or after reading a book:

- *What do you think will happen next?*
- *How did ... feel about ...? Why do you think that?*
- *Which word tells me ...?*
- *How do we know ...?*
- *Is this like any other stories we know?*

Your child should read their own reading book at home a minimum of 3 times a week and ideally everyday. This should be aloud to an adult until at least the end of Y3 (and still occasionally for older children). Children who are reading the Oxford Owl reading scheme books levels 1-9 should re-read the same book 3 times to build comprehension and fluency. You can watch a video on our school Youtube channel to demonstrate the benefit of this approach in more detail.— <https://bit.ly/3oEcXPn>

