



CHURCHFIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL

Parent Reading Scheme

General

- The Parent Reading Scheme is an element of Churchfields Junior School provision in which parent volunteers provide a structured system of reading support that helps our pupils.
- The Parent Reading Scheme is coordinated by the Deputy Head, who can be contacted on 020 8504 4650.
- Parents/Carers interested in joining the Parent Reading Scheme contact the School Office and leave their details.
- An appointment is made to come for a quick interview with the Deputy Head and Senior Admin Officer.
- The Deputy Head interviews each parent/carer and explains the procedures and objectives of the Scheme.

Procedures & Objectives

- During the course of each weekly morning session, the parent will listen to a maximum of 3 pupils reading aloud and assess their comprehension of the text read through asking questions. It is expected that each pupil will be supported for between 5 and 10 minutes.
- The overall aims and objectives of the Parent Reading Scheme are:
 - a) to promote an enjoyment of reading in the pupils. This can be achieved through shared enthusiasm for books and reading and a wider discussion of the variety of books available to our readers;
 - b) to develop pupil confidence of self-expression by encouraging the use of a broader vocabulary in discussions of a text;
 - c) to support the development of reading accuracy, understanding and fluency by modelling how a particular word, phrase or sentence is read and by providing positive feedback through comments and the merit system;
 - d) to help track, monitor and support the weekly reading habits of reluctant readers by noting that children have read in their school diaries.

Safeguarding

- Parents and carers must wear a visitor badge at all times on the school premises.
- Parents/Carers sign in at the School Office and are escorted to the Library by a member of the admin team.
- At the end of each session, parents/carers are escorted back from the Library to the School Office to sign out.
- Whilst in the Library a member of the school staff attends with the pupils.

Concerns and unavailability

- Any concern regarding pupil conduct or progress should be initially communicated to the supervising member of staff.
- While it is recognised that participation in this scheme is voluntary, it would be greatly appreciated if parents could inform the School Office if unavailable for a session. If a parent does not attend for 3 sessions they will be contacted to discuss whether they would like to continue as a parent reader.