

Grangefield Reading Newsletter



We aim to encourage children to have a love of reading. It is important that children love what they are reading to truly engage with the text.

It is important for children to see reading as something fun and pleasurable to do rather than a difficult task. What better way to teach this than to show them the ropes yourself! If your children see you reading often, it is more likely to encourage them. This will also help to promote time away from screens.

A love of reading opens the door to adventures, learning new things and a whole host of key language skills such as speech development and vocabulary building. Spending time with books also creates special moments for you to bond with your child and enjoy each other's company.

Just 10 to 15 minutes a day with a book is enough to spark your curious little one's interest.

Book Recommendations



Bluey: The Pool

Bluey and family are off for a fun day at the pool but mum and dad are fussing too much in the latest laugh-out-loud story adapted from the hugely popular CBeebies show.



The Pug who wanted to be a fairy - Bella Swift

Peggy the pug is devastated when she finds out that her local park might shut down. Now where will she go for walks with Chloe, her best friend? Chloe plans a summer fair and a bake sale to save the park, but Peggy has a better idea. She just needs to find a fairy to grant her friend's wish!



The Strangeworlds Travel Agency: The Secrets of the Stormforest - L.D. Lapinski

Pack your suitcase for the final magical adventure at the Strangeworlds Travel Agency! Flick and Jonathan have faced countless dangers in their roles as part of the Strangeworlds Society and come out alive on the other side. But what do they *really* know about the Society they are risking their lives for?

Bedtime Stories

Reading at home not only increases academic ability, but it also helps to strengthen family relationships and foster a lifelong love of books. This is particularly important for primary-age children who go through a period of great change between the ages of 4 and 11: they are learning to read, discovering their likes and dislikes and taking their first big steps into the world.

A bedtime story can be the anchor to all this, helping children to explore new feelings, new experiences and new knowledge in a safe environment.

Cuddling together with your parents, grandparents, carers or siblings to share an adventure or talk about a story before happily drifting off to sleep is an idyllic image that should be every child's reality.

Whatever your child's age, reading together at bedtime is the perfect way to bring the day to a close. We've rounded up 11 great reasons to make it a priority - every night.

1 - Good bonding time

2 - It improves your child's reading skills

3 - It sparks imagination

4 - It creates conversations

5 - Making a routine means you won't forget

6 - It expands your child's vocabulary

7 - It improves their emotional intelligence

8 - It encourages independent reading

9 - It improves mental wellbeing

10 - It helps you both relax and unwind

11 - It's good even for children who can read by themselves

Reading doesn't just happen in story books - it happens all the time in a variety of mediums and situations from recipe books to street signs, textbooks to encyclopaedias. The more children read, the better!

Guess the Book - Answers

The hungry caterpillar, The tiger who came to tea, Diary of a Wimpy kid - the deep end, Matilda, The Gruffalo, Gangster Granny.