



Reading Rewards at Bellingham Primary School

We believe that reading is one of the greatest ways to instil a life-long love of learning in everyone and hope to share this passion with the children in our school.

Our school environment is word-rich and we hope to develop this love of literature in everyone. Lots of our classroom activities are based on stories and reading is a key feature of our school development plan.

Children read every day in school, whether it be their individual reading book, group reading or in a text as part of a lesson. We hope that reading at home can become a part of your daily routine and aim to encourage this with our reading incentive (I know it's hard to fit it in – honestly, but it's worth it!)

Research is clear: reading can make learning and achieving in school easier. The conversations between the reader and listener can enhance children's learning and vocabulary even through simple picture books.

Our reading incentive will begin in school next week.

What do you need to do?

- Listen to your child read (or share a picture book and talk about the story)
- Record your book in their reading record. (Date, title and page number)

All children who have a minimum of 3 home comments a week in their reading record books will be given a 'golden ticket', these will be put into a box and drawn during Friday's celebration assembly. Prizes will be given!

(If you are able to come into school as a volunteer to listen to children read we'd love to hear from you.)

We'll begin counting from this Friday (13th September) and look forward to the enthusiasm!

Mrs Goddard