

Salford School is reading for the stars!



Dear Parents and Carers,

As a school, we strive to maintain high standards in reading across the school as we strongly believe that it is an important foundation for learning. Reading is an incredibly important, life long and enjoyable skill. We read daily in school as part of our learning through Read, Write Inc and Vipers, whole class reading, sharing quality texts at story time and one to one reading time. However, we know that when children read daily at home, practising and embedding the skills that they have worked on in school, the benefits to their vocabulary and writing are great, as well as producing confident readers.

We would love all of our children to be reading more frequently at home. Therefore, after the half term break, we will be launching our Read for the Stars project. We hope that this initiative will encourage our children to read daily, involving you fully in your child's reading journey.

Read for the Stars aims to reward and incentivise children in the reading process. It is a whole school initiative. We ask children to read a minimum of five times a week on separate days. Please could you ensure that if your child reads, you continue to put a positive comment in the reading record/planner and then date the bookmark provided. Please note this book might not always be the book they are reading from school. If your child is enjoying a book from home, this will also count towards their home reading.



Parents and carers are responsible for marking the bookmark and alerting the class teacher when they have reached the end of one side. We do ask that these bookmarks are kept in reading folders and come to school daily.

1 daily read = 1 date on the bookmark. Daily reads count during the weekends and holiday time too. We just ask that you support your child by dating their bookmark so that no child misses out on their reading rewards.

1 side of the bookmark completed =



2 sides of a bookmark completed =



3 sides of a bookmark completed =



4 sides of a bookmark completed = Headteachers special award of a signed and named book.

We would love all children to 'read for the stars' and will be celebrating the reading certificates in our celebration assemblies and in our newsletter.

Blue Peter also have a book badge that you can apply for. See information [here](#). If you have a Blue Peter badge you can get free entry to many attractions. We would love to celebrate Blue Peter Book Badges in school too!

Let's get reading for the stars Saltford! Find a comfortable spot and snuggle down with a book! We can't wait to celebrate your reading successes!