

Gawber Primary School's Reading Promise



Gawber Primary School is a reading school – We LOVE to read! We aim to encourage our children to become avid readers who enjoy a variety of texts that they can discuss at length. During their time at Gawber, children can expect to access a range of reading activities, tailored to their needs and abilities. Any child that we feel needs additional support to help them reach the age related expectation, is given the opportunity to work with our highly trained staff and access catch up support. Reading at home is actively encouraged. The staff at Gawber Primary School love to share books with the children and strive to ensure that all children make excellent progress in all aspects of reading. We hope that upon leaving Gawber Primary School, our children have established a lifelong love of reading.

<u>Foundation Stage</u> In Class 0, we have reading buddies! Our Year 6 children join us once a week to read with us. During our Literacy lessons, we share a big book with the class teacher and discuss different reading skills. Guided reading takes place regularly and an adult reads a story at the end of every day. Read Write Inc is our phonics scheme and is taught in phases throughout Foundation Stage and KS1.	<u>KS1</u> In Class 1 and 2, we share texts during our Literacy lessons. We also look at topic texts where we often focus on new vocabulary. We enjoy repetitive texts, echo reading and we all access guided reading where we can read with an adult twice a week. Some children access additional one to one reading on a daily basis or additional guided reading sessions when they are needed. At the end of the day, an adult reads a story to us. By the end of KS1, we aim for all children to work at the expected standard or above. Read Write Inc is our phonics scheme and is taught in phases throughout Foundation Stage and KS1.
<u>Lower KS2</u> In Class 3 and 4, we access shared whole class reading at least 3 times per week. We also access focussed comprehension sessions and paired reading too. Some children take part in additional guided reading sessions or they are given the opportunity to read with an adult on a one-to-one basis. All children are given the opportunity to enjoy some independent reading time every day and we also enjoy a class book that is read by an adult.	<u>Upper KS2</u> Whole class shared reading takes place between 4 and 5 times per week in Class 5 and 6. All children are given independent reading time on a daily basis where they can read a book of their choice. Adults encourage children to share these books with them and their peers. Additional guided reading groups take place regularly. Each of these have a specific focus to help the children progress in areas that they may find challenging. Some children access daily one-to-one reading and all children access one session per week that is purely focussed on comprehension skills. We also enjoy a class book that is read to us by an adult every day.

Children at Gawber Primary School access reading themed days to promote positive reading experiences and each week a book is shared with all children in a whole school assembly. Children are always encouraged to share their favourite books with a member of staff.