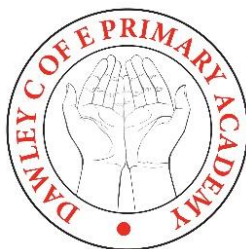


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READING AT DAWLEY ACADEMY

Dear Parents/Carers,

At our Academy, we want every child to be a reader. There are a number of ways your child is supported in school in order to progress their reading skills, and we would like to encourage as many parents to read with their children at home as possible too.

Reading books.

If your child still accesses phonics lessons, they may bring home a phonics reading book, with a phonics sticker on the front. These books contain sounds your child already knows and should be a comfortable, confident read for your child. Phonics reading books are not intended to challenge a child, they are intended to be used for confidence building and for your child to practice reading using the phonetic knowledge they have learned in school.

Children who have graduated from phonics lessons will bring home a benchmarked book with a coloured sticker on the spine.

Your child might also bring home a Reading for Pleasure book. This will not have a phonics sticker on the front. These books might be slightly more challenging, containing aspirational words and ideas that will challenge your child in a positive way.

How often should I hear my child read?

In KS2, we encourage parents to read with their children at least three times a week. Your child will have a home reading record, and we encourage parents to write in these so that reading can be tracked.

Evidence of your child reading at school is kept in a separate diary as we found that many diaries got lost between home and school.

For video support about hearing your child read, please go to our school website and watch the video links posted in the reading section.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Emma Woodhouse
English Coordinator.

