



Edenfield C of E Primary School



26th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week will be Reading Week, arranged to coincide with World Book Day. Every class will be planning a wide range of exciting activities linked to a specific book or novel, and school will also be hosting a number of events to promote a love of books, and reading to learn. These include:

- The Readathon (see separate letter)
- D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and Read) initiative throughout the week
- 'Read with my Grandparent' project (see below)
- Buddy reading sessions
- Class teacher swap sessions – 'Teachers' favourite books'
- Book Oscars – books will be nominated by pupils and a final vote will result in 'book awards'
- Drama performances of each class novel (separate letter to follow)
- Book in a box (separate letter to follow)

'Read with my Grandparent Day' - Thursday 7th March

Next Thursday, we will be inviting grandparents (or a close relative) to visit your child's class to share a reading session and look at the work the children have been completing during guided reading and English lessons. In order to manage this event successfully we will be allocating time slots for each class as follows:

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| • Class Reception: | 9.30am - 10am | • Year 4: | 11am - 11.30am |
| • Year 1: | 9.30am - 10am | • Year 5: | 11am - 11.30am |
| • Year 2: | 10am - 10.30am | • Year 6: | 11.30am - 12pm |
| • Year 3: | 10am - 10.30am | | |

Grandparents or relatives are asked to come to the main entrance where they should sign in before being escorted to your child's classroom or the school hall. **We would be very grateful if you could complete and return the slip overleaf** so we can plan ahead for the number of visitors attending. We expect the children will love sharing their work with their grandparents and equally the grandparents will enjoy the opportunity of celebrating the children's work and progress. In cases where children are unable to invite a visitor, we will ensure they are paired up with another child and included fully in all the activities.

We are looking forward to a successful week of reading challenges. Please keep checking the website gallery for a range of photographs capturing the week's events.

Yours faithfully,

C L Garner

Headteacher

'READ WITH MY GRANDPARENT DAY'

Name of child Class

Name of person attending on 'Read with my Grandparent Day'

Relationship to child

Please return to school by Monday 4th March



Readathon

**“Through books we learn the mastery of words,
the essential skill that will enable us to achieve our potential.”**

Michael Morpurgo

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following its ongoing success where we have raised in excess of £1800 to purchase new reading books for school, we are running another **Readathon** as part of our Reading Week, and are encouraging as many children as possible to take part.

The Readathon will help motivate reluctant readers to give reading a go, and keen readers to read more widely. It works because children choose what they want to read - they are not being assessed and it is very much concerned with reading for fun. We would like you to support your child by encouraging them to take part, sponsoring them if possible, and by encouraging friends and family members to also sponsor them. Any money raised will be used to buy more new books for school!

How the Readathon will work...

- All children have been given a Readathon sponsorship form today; please encourage them to find as many sponsors as possible. (We suggest approximately 50p per 10 pages.)
- All next week, children will be given free time in class to read, (identified by the Readathon bell ringing), and the number of pages each child reads will be supervised by class teachers. Children are free to bring in their own book(s) or borrow one from the library.
- At the end of the week, the total number of pages read will be calculated, and children will then collect their sponsorship money from friends and family, and bring it into school.
- All sponsorship money will be spent on new books for school!

Thank you for your support and happy reading!

If you have any queries about the Readathon, please do not hesitate to call the school office.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Garner
Headteacher

