# Readathon

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

23rd February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following its ongoing success where we have raised in excess of £2500 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. This will be an excellent opportunity to raise extra funds for school and additional resources for the children. Last year, we were able to use the money raised to purchase many more reading books to support our phonics programme as well as beautiful reading books for the school and class libraries.

**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…**

- A Readathon sponsorship form has also been sent home alongside this letter; please encourage your child to find as many sponsors as possible. (We suggest approximately 50p per 10 pages.)
- During reading 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 school.
- 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. Money collected ideally should be paid via ParentPay. If you would prefer to bring donated monies, we can accommodate this due to it being a fundraiser. All sponsorship money will be spent on new books for school.

**Thank you for your ongoing 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

# Edenfield C of E Primary School

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## Sponsor Form

*I am taking part in the Edenfield Primary School* ***Readathon***
*from Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March 2024*
*Please sponsor me and help me raise lots of money for books for our school!*

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