



Reading challenge for the whole school

Extensive research proves that children who read for pleasure will gain advantages that last their whole lives.

Young children who enjoy reading very much are **5 x** as likely to read above the expected level compared with those who don't enjoy reading (National Literacy Trust)

The National Literacy Trust cites overwhelming evidence that literacy has a significant relationship with a person's happiness and success. (The Rose Review, 2008 Independent Review of the Primary School Curriculum)

The academic benefits of a strong leisure reading habit are not confined to improved reading ability. Leisure reading makes students more articulate, develops higher order reasoning, and promotes critical thinking (The National Endowment for the Arts in "To read or not to read", 2007.)

Reading for pleasure is more important for children's educational success than their family's background, (The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)

Children whose parents regularly read to them make as much as twelve additional months progress in school

So, can we challenge you all to try to hear your children read at least 3 times a week. Reading to your child has benefits for both you and your child. If you are not sure what to read or want some more book suggestions, please talk to your child's teacher.

LTS for Thursday

We still have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor on Thursday lunchtimes. Please call in at the office if you are interested. A great way to start in school if you are interested in working with children- term time only!

Thursday 18th January- special lunch

With the vegetarian option proving to be very popular on the last couple of special lunches (even to those children who had not ordered it); any child who orders a vegetarian lunch will go into lunch at the start of their sitting to make sure that they get the meal they have ordered.

Maths open lesson

Following requests from parents we will be offering 2 open maths lessons sessions. Foundation stage and Keystage 1 will be Friday 19th January. The open lesson for Keystage 2 will be Friday 24th January. Both lessons will start at 9am. More details to follow.

Next 2 weeks' events

Thursday 11 th January	Orders for 'build a burger lunch' needed
Friday 12 th January	Snow Leopards' class assembly at 9.05am
Monday 15 th January	Meeting for teachers at SVC so all staff will be leaving promptly
Tuesday 16 th January	Friends' committee meeting at school at 7.30pm
Wednesday 17 th January	Girls football starts
Thursday 18 th January	Burger lunch KS2 football starts
Friday 19 th January	Open maths lesson- EYFS and KS1 more details to follow Lions' class assembly FS and KS1 football starts