



Skegness Infant Academy

reading newsletter

Spring into reading



*"The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."*

Virtual author visits

Our Reception and Year 1 children thoroughly enjoyed a virtual visit from Eileen Brown last term. This term we are very much looking forwards to enjoying a virtual visit from the amazing storyteller, Lucy Walters



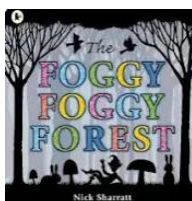
Lincolnshire Reading Pledge

As I informed you on the previous reading newsletter, we have been working towards our reading pledge award this year. We are proud to inform you that we achieved our Bronze award and look forward to working towards our silver award next year.



What will we be reading this term?

Nursery



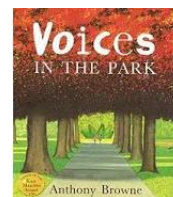
Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Family Reading sessions

It has been fantastic to see so many families attending the family reading sessions this term. Thank you so much for supporting your child's reading.



What have we been learning in our Phonics lessons?

Reception

Phase 4 words ending -s /s/

Phase 4 words ending -z /z/

Phase 4 words ending -es

longer words

Year 1

/z/ su si e.g. treasure vision

/j/ dge e.g. bridge

/i/ y e.g. crystal

/j/ ge e.g. large

Year 2

Why do some words have the spelling 'ey' for the sound /ee/?

Why do some words end -le, -al, -il or -el?

The 'W special' How do 'w' and 'qu' change the sounds that 'a', 'ar' and 'or' make in some words?

Summer Reading Challenge:

Your child (age 4-11) can join the **Summer Reading Challenge** this summer. It's fun, free and helps keep up reading skills over the holidays!

🏆 Set a reading goal

☐ Read whatever they like - books, eBooks, audiobooks

🎁 Earn stickers, rewards & even a certificate

Available in Skegness Library or
online: summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

Starts 5th July in England

Reading at home

Don't forget, our expectation is that all children read at least **4 times per week** to an adult at home. This will ensure your child receives a reading crown at the end of the week.

Each child that reads 4 times will add a cube to our class reading reward jars. Once our class jar is full we receive a class reading reward

Below are 5 top tips from the department for education to engage your child to read at home!



1. Make use of your local library

Local libraries also offer brilliant online materials, including audiobooks and ebooks to borrow. See [Libraries Connected](#) for more digital library services and resources.

2. Talk about books

This is a great way to make connections, develop understanding and make reading even more enjoyable. Start by discussing the front cover and talking about what it reveals and suggests the book could be about. Then talk about what you've been reading and share ideas.

3. Bring reading to life

You could try cooking a recipe you've read together. Would you recommend it to a friend? Alternatively, play a game where you pretend to be the characters in a book, or discuss an interesting article you've read.

4. Make reading active

Play games that involve making connections between pictures, objects and words, such as reading about an object and finding similar things in your home. You could organise treasure hunts related to what you're reading. Try creating your child's very own book by using photos from your day and adding captions.

5. Engage your child in reading in a way that suits them

You know your child best and you'll know the best times for your child to read. If they have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) then short, creative activities may be the way to get them most interested. If English is an additional language, encourage reading in a child's first language, as well as in English. What matters most is that they enjoy it.

Recommended reads

To inspire a love of reading in your child you may enjoy sharing:

