

5 top tips for reading at home with your child.

We want your child to leave Cumberland as a fluent and confident reader who absolutely loves reading! Find out how you can help your child reach this goal.

1. Daily Reading

Each week, your child will bring home colour coded books which they should be able to read mostly on their own. Please listen to your child read for 5 minutes each day. If your child is not a keen reader to start with, keep the sessions even shorter, but please read daily.

2. Reading Record

For each book your child reads, please complete the '*10 book log*' and pop it back into their book bag. Once your child is reading chapter books – please record each chapter rather than each book as it may take them a while to reach this target!

3. Bug Club

Bug Club is a great online resource. Bug Club books can be included on your child's 10 book log if they have read them mostly on their own.

4. Exciting Rewards

When a child has read 10 books, they will receive a certificate in class, when they have read 100 books, they will receive a 'golden certificate' and when they have read 200 books, they receive a book token!

5. Bedtime Story Book

Snuggling up with your child and sharing a story is a wonderful way to bond with your child. Every 1–2 weeks, your child will choose a 'bedtime story' book from our Cumberland library for you to share together. Please speak to your class teacher for other ideas of books to share with your child.

Happy Reading!



Did you know?

A child's vocabulary at age 5 predicts a child's ability to complete more complex tasks of reading at



Reading for pleasure is a better indicator of a child's performance at school than their socio-economic background.

READING TO YOUR CHILD WILL CHANGE THEIR LIFE

You will help to develop your child's literacy & communication skills, as well as to stimulate their brain development.



Parents who talk to their children through daily activities and read and enjoy stories with them expose them to 1000–2000 words each hour!

In the first 3 years of their lives, infants and toddlers begin acquiring the **first of thousands of words** they will use throughout their lives!

Parental involvement in a child's education is a more powerful force than family background, size of family or level of parental education.

77%

of people with average or higher literacy skills earn a high income. They are more likely to be employed in professional positions.

