



# Poulton Lancelyn Primary School



Dear Parents,

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At Poulton Lancelyn, we foster and encourage a love and enjoyment of reading. Extensive educational research shows that an enjoyment of reading helps towards improving attainment across the curriculum. Therefore, we are dedicated, as a school, to ensuring all pupils have ample opportunities to read widely. We also want to ensure that pupils are continuing to develop their love of reading at home. In order to support this, we have decided to replace our 'reading record' system with new initiatives to further promote a love of reading. Please see the list below of the new and pre-existing reading initiatives we have at Poulton Lancelyn.

## **RWI Phonics**

As a school, we follow the RWI Phonics programme in EYFS, KS1 and some KS2 groups. This phonics programme is government approved and provides pupils with decodable books to build confidence in their reading ability.



## **KS1 Book Club**

In KS1, pupils read a high quality text together, as a class, to form a 'book club'. All pupils read the same text and have the opportunity to discuss the text together as a class.

Once upon a story...Year 1		
<b>Autumn 1</b> The Colour Monster Puss in Boots Can't You Sleep Little Bear? <b>Read</b> Nursery Rhymes And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon Wood	<b>Spring 1</b> The Pied Piper Puss in Boots Cinderella and All Their Subplots The Frog Prince Cherish Big hair don't care	<b>Summer 1</b> The Blue Bird The Little Seed Red Kite Blue Kite Cape and Robbers Jack and the Beanstalk The Teddy Bear Helen Lucy
<b>Autumn 2</b> The Tale of the Little Red Riding Hood The Three Little Pigs The Little White Rabbit and the Big Red Pig The True Story of the Three Little Pigs The Red Cow Who Really Happened to Little Red Riding Hood The Wolf	<b>Spring 2</b> The Building Boy The Princess and the Pea The Very Secret Pig and the Princess to Be The Perfect Pig The Magic Hedgehog Happy in our skin	<b>Summer 2</b> The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas The Wolf and the Lamb The Ugly Duckling The Little Prince The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas The Wolf and the Lamb The Ugly Duckling The Little Prince The Boy Who Swam with Piranhas
Text types: ...and the ... Complexity of the text ... Complexity of plot/setting Relevant texts: ... Quality and diversity: ... Other texts to consider:		

## **Once Upon A Story (KS1)**

Our 'Once Upon A Story' lists have been created to ensure that KS1 pupils are being exposed to a range of text types each half term. These stories are read aloud to the pupils across the half term so that children gain familiarity with these high quality texts and develop a love of reading within the classroom. These lists can be found on our website if parents wish to purchase any of the chosen books to read at home as a family.

## **Super Six (EYFS)**

Similarly to our 'Once Upon A Story' lists, our 'Super Six' is a range of texts that EYFS pupils will enjoy throughout the year. Each half term, class teachers will focus on six main texts to read to the pupils in order to build familiarity and enjoyment of a range of high quality text types. These lists can be found on our website if parents wish to purchase any of the chosen books to read at home as a family.

## **Mystery Reader (EYFS)**

Beginning in autumn 2, EYFS staff will send out a letter asking parents to sign up to their 'mystery leader' list. Each week, each class will then invite a pupil's family member in to school to read a story to the class. EYFS staff will be in touch to organise this further.

## **Starbooks (KS2)**

Our Starbooks menus contain a variety of books that have been specially selected to ensure that pupils are accessing a diverse range of text types. Each term, pupils will have the opportunity to earn rewards for their reading. Every time a child reads a book from the Starbooks menu, they will receive a stamp on their Starbooks loyalty card. After five stamps, pupils will receive a special treat. If by the end of term, they have managed to achieve ten stamps, they will be invited to our Starbooks 'coffee' morning.



**\*NEW\* Reading Tree (Whole School)**

In our school hall, we will be displaying Poulton Lancelyn's 'Reading Tree'. If pupils have a favourite book that they enjoy reading with their families at home, they can request a 'leaf' from their class teacher and write their name and favourite children's book on it. This leaf will then be put on display on our reading tree. We hope to have a range of family-favourite children's books filling our reading tree.

**\*NEW\* Half Termly Book Club (KS2)**

In KS2, within the last week of half term, a letter will go out to remind pupils to bring in a book that they have read at some point during the half term. If it is a school book that they have already returned to the library, they can just bring the name of the book. They will then discuss their book of choice with their class and explain what the book was about and whether they would recommend it to others.

**\*NEW\* BookSnaps (Whole School)**

Using our homework platform, Seesaw, we would like pupils to put up pictures of themselves reading at home. This could be pictures of them reading their phonics book, a Starbooks book, or just any book that they are enjoying reading at home at the moment. This will help our teachers to gain an understanding of who is reading at home and who may need some further encouragement.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Milne**  
**Headteacher**