

Wednesday 27th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

Reading at Cale Green - A Presentation for Parents-

Wednesday 4th December 2.30pm

One of the main priorities for every child at Cale Green is to ensure that they leave primary school as confident readers who are fluent, who read with good understanding and enjoy picking up a good book!

The school places high emphasis on reading in all aspects of the curriculum, for all ages of child: from ensuring that all our teaching staff are highly trained in the teaching of phonics to employing a Reading Recovery teacher to support our younger children in developing their reading. ‘*No stone* *is left unturned*’ in the pursuit of ensuring your child leaves a reader.

All children are carefully assessed to ensure that the teaching of reading is child-centred and their learning is personalised using a range of whole class shared reading in English lessons; daily high quality phonics sessions; daily guided reading sessions and individual reading times, where necessary.

Books are given an elevated position within the school. We ensure that our reading scheme books and reading for pleasure titles are carefully graded, are chosen in conjunction with the children and are regularly updated to reflect current trends and the interests of the children.

Throughout the different areas of school life the culture of creating a positive ethos with books and reading is fostered. Book prizes are awarded for achieving the Gold Award in our whole school reward scheme. Regular visits to local book shops are used as rewards for other activities. Reading events take place throughout the year - the Christmas story event and World Book Day to name but a few. We also have a close connection with the Stockport Schools’ Library Service’s annual book awards which gives the children the opportunity to read brand new books for their age range and the possibility of meeting some of their authors and illustrators. Groups of children throughout the school have met authors and have been enthused about the books they have written- (Nick Butterworth, Jaqueline Wilson for example) and all of the children have visited theatres across the north-west to watch performances of different books ranging from the classics- ‘Black Beauty’ at Z Arts to performing Shakespeare on stage at the Lowry theatre.

This is just a flavour of the reading that takes place in and around Cale Green. If you’d like to know more we’d like to invite you to a Reading Presentation where we will go through all of the aspects of reading from how to get started in nursery to stretching our most able readers across all ages.

This will take place on Wednesday 20th November from 2.30pm in our hall and will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have about any aspect of reading. If you would like to attend this presentation please complete and return the slip below to your child’s class teacher.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Sarah McHugh

Deputy Head

**Reading Workshop- Wednesday 4th December 2019**

I will be attending the Reading Workshop:

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Year Group: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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