

TIBBERTON CE FIRST SCHOOL



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Our aim is for all of our pupils to read easily, fluently and with good understanding.

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will already be aware of how important reading is. Sadly, we have seen a reduction in the frequency of how often a number of our children change their books in school.

Reading is essential for children to become successful in school and their journey through life. The better a child can read, the easier it is for them to learn in school. Reading feeds directly into writing. The language that your child hears and reads has a huge impact on the quality of their writing; the more words they will know and be able to use.

This is our approach that we use in school. In Reception, Year1 and 2, we will change books three times a week to allow for rereading of books.

In Upper Unit we recognise that the texts are longer and more complex, we also allow more independence in changing and selecting texts, however, we still expect that reading is done frequently.

Reading at home is a vital part of your child's reading development. This may involve reading your child's school reading book, their self-selected library book or any material from home. It is also extremely valuable to discuss the text together as this develops higher order thinking and comprehension skills. There are suggested questions linked to our reading VIPERS in your child's diary.

To raise the profile of reading at home and encourage the children to do this **we will be awarding a regular reader award at the end of each half term for each year group in each class.**

Teachers will also be making direct contact with families to make them aware if there is any concern regarding the frequency of reading practise.

If you have any questions regarding further reading, the benefits of reading and how you can support at home please take a look at the school web site, contact me via the office or pop in and see me.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Rhiannon Jordan

