



Fulwood and Cadley Primary School

Wish it, Dream it, Do it, Be Unique.

Reading
today for a
brighter
tomorrow!

Our Reading Books

A guide for parents and carers



Reading at home helps your child to become a confident, fluent reader, builds a love of reading and opens the door to a bright future.



Reading Phonics Books (Decodable books)

These are used for children who are still learning and applying their phonics skills. They are carefully matched to the sounds your child knows.



What you need to do:

- 1 Read the book 3 times at home.
- 2 Once you have read it 3 times, please sign and date your child's reading record.
- 3 The class team will then support your child to change their book.

Reading the same book several times helps children to become more fluent, confident and accurate.



PM Benchmarking Books (Level 15 and above)

Once children reach PM Benchmark Level 15, they are secure with their phonics and are becoming fluent readers. They can now read a wider range of books and change their books independently.



What you need to do:

- 1 Read the book once at home.
- 2 Please sign and date your child's reading record.
- 3 Your child can then change their book independently.

By PM Level 15, children are fluent and secure with their phonics, so they can move on to a wider range of texts.



More than just school reading books!

All reading counts! Your child can also read:

- Books from home
- Library books
- Comics and magazines
- Non-fiction books
- Poetry
- Being read to by an adult (counts too, especially in younger years!)



What the research says

The Department for Education (DfE) states that 'children should reread decodable books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading' (National Curriculum, 2014) and that repeated reading helps develop accuracy, automaticity and confidence (DfE Reading Framework, 2023).



Our shared goal

By working together, we can help every child to develop their reading fluency, comprehension and a lifelong love of reading.

Small
steps make
a big
difference! ♥



Practice at home | Build confidence | Achieve together

