



INGOLDMELLS ACADEMY

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Dear Parents / Guardians

Welcome Back

Reading is such an important skill for life. We want to help all of our children reach their full potential so that they can achieve and be the best they can be. Here at Ingoldmells Academy we have a focus on helping all children to become readers who want to read and enjoy reading.

What are we doing to help your child to be a reader?

- All children take part in reading every day through 'Guided Reading' (reading and using comprehension skills in small groups).
- All children read to an adult developing reading and comprehension skills in 1-1 situations during the week.
- We provide additional interventions for identified pupils.
- All children have been provided with access to Reading Eggs, an online reading programme.
- Our library has been reorganised to make locating non-fiction books easier.
- Our Legendary Readers celebrate and reward children who show they are becoming readers. Awards for Legendary Readers will take place during parent assemblies.
- We have held and will hold further reading workshops for parents / carers.
- We provide library books for children to take home to read and share and then return to school.

What can you do to help your child become a reader?

- Ensure your child has their reading book and diary in school every day.
- Listen to your child read at home every night or most.
- Help children to treat their book with respect by helping them to look after their book, keep it safe and to look after it.
- Write in your child's reading diary to let us know how and when they read whilst at home.
- For further information please see overleaf.



Reading Event for Reception Children and Parent/Carers

Reception Parents are invited to a reading workshop on **Thursday 9th November at 2.30pm**. Please join us to learn a little more about how to help your child with their reading. You will also receive a free book donated by the Book Trust.

Staying Safe

It has come to our attention that before school in a morning some children are running about across the road and onto the grassed roundabout outside the school gate. This is a very busy time outside all schools with many cars moving around, not always being aware of all children. We do not want any child to be injured so please remind your children about how to stay safe and do not allow them to run about across the roads whilst waiting to start the day.

Charity Donation

As you are aware we recently held a Macmillan Coffee Morning and a 'Dress Down Day'. From this and with your support, we raised £245.00. We would like you all to be aware that from this and also from future fundraising events, we will be donating a percentage of funds raised to Asthma UK in memory of Ethan Lovell.

Kind regards

How can you help your child with their reading?

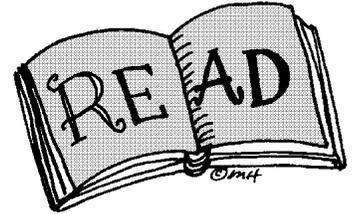
Reading is one of the most important and satisfying ways that you can help your child to progress in their learning. Like all skills; football, playing an instrument or learning another language, only a certain amount can be achieved through teaching – the most important part is practise.

For your child to become a lifetime reader they need to be able to decode the words, they need to understand what they are reading and most importantly, enjoy reading!

You can help so much.

Each evening when you read together try the following...

- Be positive. Praise your child for trying hard at their reading. It's alright to make mistakes.
- If they find a word difficult, encourage them to sound it out, split it into chunks, use the pictures (if there are any) or think what would make sense in the sentence.
- It's not just books your child can read. Comics, signs, labels etc. All of these will help to broaden your child's vocabulary.
- Read yourself. Set a good example by reading for pleasure and talking about the reading you do at work and home.
- Each time you read with your child, remember to let us know by filling in your child's reading diary.



Most importantly... Enjoy reading with your child and you will be helping them to acquire a skill for life.

Watch out for next week's leaflet in this series of supporting reading at home.

Alternatively you can get the full set from our academy website www.ingoldmellsacademy.org