

### The Importance of Reading

The importance of reading for children cannot be underestimated. Reading for pleasure can benefit a child's education, social and cognitive development, their wellbeing, and their mental health.

Engaging with books allows us to be transported to other places and worlds. We can become immersed in the lives of fictional characters or learn more about the world around us.

Reading is a key life skill; it is placed at the heart of our curriculum at Green Lea First School.

# Parents in Partnership

Spending just 10-15 minutes reading with your child every day will be invaluable in developing their ability and desire to read and learn.

We appreciate all your support with your child's reading.

#### High-quality books

Your child will have a reading book which is suitably pitched to build both confidence as a reader and fluency.

In addition, children will choose a free-choice library book for enjoyment. Please remember, this doesn't have to always be read by your child. They will benefit from you, as parents, reading to them.

They also have access to a book from our R.E.A.D. Challenge where amazing prizes can be won.



Reading is the key to success...



## Supporting your child

- It is expected that you read with your child at home as much as possible
- Log your child's reading in their reading diary so that they can access school rewards (Dojo for reading at least 4 times at home)
- Ask your child questions as they read to check their understanding
- Ask them about books/ stories they are reading at school.



#### School Routines

- Your child will visit our school library to choose their reading for pleasure book.
- Reading records are checked every Friday by your child's class teacher.
- Every class engages in story time at the end of the day and children vote which books they would like read to them from a collection of age-appropriate texts for their year group.