

## **Waterloo Primary School & Nursery**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

In order to enthuse a love of reading this term we will be holding a special reading event: 'The Waterloo Reading Festival' will take place between 1-3 November. During these three days we have lots of exciting experiences planned.

We want to invite you, our Waterloo Primary family, to be 'guest readers' and come and read with the children. It could be yourself or another family member. This would involve sharing a favorite children's book (or a chapter or two) with us. Even better if you don't mind wearing a costume! If you are able to join us please let us know by Wednesday 18th October.

We are also running an 'Extreme Read Competition' This involves taking a picture of your child reading in an unusual place/situation. The wackier the better! You can email pictures in to school on the address above. The winners will receive a book voucher and they will be taken to Pritchard's Bookshop in Crosby to choose a book. The closing date for entries is Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Finally, if you have any pre-loved books that your family have outgrown we will be running a book swap during the festival. Here children will be able to exchange a book they have finished with for one they would like to read. Book donations will be gratefully received.

If you would like to purchase some new books during this time we will also have the Scholastic Book Fair onsite beginning November 1-7. This is cash only.

Reading is the single best thing you can do with your child, or encourage them to do independently. It builds their understanding of all aspects of the curriculum and fosters a spirit of enquiry about the world that will serve them for their whole life.

We care about their life chances. Thank you for supporting us in making sure your child succeeds in the world.

Kind regards,

Rachel Sutton

Acting English Lead















