

# Helping your child at home with Reading- Year 1



Under the National Curriculum, the teaching and assessment of reading at Bolton Primary School will be based around the key areas of word reading and comprehension. To be able to say that your child is working at the level expected for their year group, they must be able to meet all of the key expectations. Within the new curriculum, there is a clear focus on driving up standards in reading. These higher expectations mean that we will be challenging our children to achieve more; please help us to ensure that your child has the best opportunity of tackling these new challenges with confidence by supporting their learning in English.

Year	Year 1 Reading Expectation
1	<p>Able to read for pleasure and is motivated to find an understanding in fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blend sounds in unfamiliar words.</li> <li>• Read non-phonological words, recognising the 'tricky bit' within.</li> <li>• Read contracted words, e.g. I'm, I'll, we'll • Recognise and join in with predictable phrases.</li> <li>• Relate reading to own experiences.</li> <li>• Re-read if reading does not make sense.</li> <li>• Re-tell stories and poems, and discuss similar characteristics.</li> <li>• Discuss significance of title and events.</li> <li>• Make predictions on the basis of what has been read so far.</li> <li>• Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done.</li> <li>• Read aloud with pace and expression, e.g. pause at full stop; raised voice for questions.</li> <li>• Recognise and know why the author has used the following punctuation: capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks. • Know and explain the difference between fiction and non-fiction texts.</li> </ul>

## Supporting your child at home with reading-Make reading fun

- Have discussions together about books - read the books your child is reading
- Encourage Internet research about topics of interest - notice what they are keen on
- Make your home a reader-friendly home with plenty of books, magazines, printed material that everyone can read - look for books and magazines at fairs and second-hand shops etc
- Share what you think and how you feel about the characters, the story or the opinions in magazines and newspapers you are reading. It is important that your child sees you as a reader and you talk about what you are reading

## Reading Together:

### USE THE VIPER BOOKMARKS TO THINK OF QUESTIONS TO DEVELOP COMPREHENSION SKILLS.

- Reading to your child is one of the most important things you can do, no matter how old they are.
- When you are reading to your child, you can talk about words or ideas in the text that your child might not have come across before
- Children are often interested in new words and what they mean - encourage them to look them up in a dictionary or ask family about the meaning and origin.

## How you can help?

Expectation: ideally 20 minutes per day.

- Try to build this into your daily routine.
- Have a quiet, comfortable space for you and your child to read in.
- Read with your child and read in front of your child.
- Remember, both reading and hearing texts read aloud are important.

## Keep them interested

- Help your child identify an author, character or series of books they particularly like and find more in the series or by the author.
- Talk about the lyrics of songs or the words of poems your child is learning, and see if there are any links to who they are, and where they come from
- Go to your local library to choose books together. These might be books your child can read easily by themselves or they might be books your child wants to read but are a bit hard - you can help by reading a page to them, then helping them read the next one
- Read instructions together and recipes etc
- Use recorded stories for children to listen to