



# EARLY READING WORKSHOP

Dragonflies



# Reading at home

# Early Learning and Development

**90% of your child's brain growth happens before the age of 5. Right from the start, all those little moments you spend together are building their brain.**

**Every smile, cuddle, chat, story and game makes a huge difference, helping them learn to communicate, develop confidence and make friends.**

# Data

Current data from the National Literacy trust shows: 45% of 0-2s are read to daily or nearly every day. This increases to 58% of 3-4s, in part to get them 'school ready', and by 5-7 years, parents reading daily to their children drops back to 44%.





# Parents reading with children by 5 years old

- Never read – 4,662 words
- 1-2 times per week – 63,570 words
- 3-5 times per week – 169,520 words
- Daily – 296,660 words



# Importance of Reading

Just reading ten minutes a day can help develop  
your children's:

- Concentration
- Vocabulary
- Creativity
- Imagination
- Thinking skills
- Cognitive development
- Language
- Emotional development



# READING WITH YOUR CHILD



It can also helps them



develop social and emotional skills and  
become confident, happy learners.

- Find somewhere quiet away from noise, TV and mobiles
- Cuddle up together and enjoy stories and rhymes
- Change your voice to bring the story to life
- Talk about the pictures - Can you find the ...?
- How many ... can you see?





# Reading in Dragonflies Class



- Every Friday - take a reading bag home (with a book and diary).
- Enjoy sharing the book with different family members.
- Read more than once.
- Ask lots of questions – *What can you see? What colour is ....? How are they feeling? (can be in home language).*
- Link back to our learning – Class Dojo message.
- Sign and tick.
- Bring the book back on a Friday for us to change.
- Please look after our books - £5 charge.



# Other things you could do:



- Visit a local library to borrow books.
- Share books with other family members in a different house.
- Have discussions about what you can see and hear?  
(walking to the park, driving to the shop, going on an adventure).
- Link back to our learning – Class Dojo message.

# Primary school places for September 2026



**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY**

**APPLY NOW!**  
at [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](https://lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

**School and Academy places September 2026**

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2025 and 31 August 2026.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

**CLOSING DATE**  
**15 January 2026**

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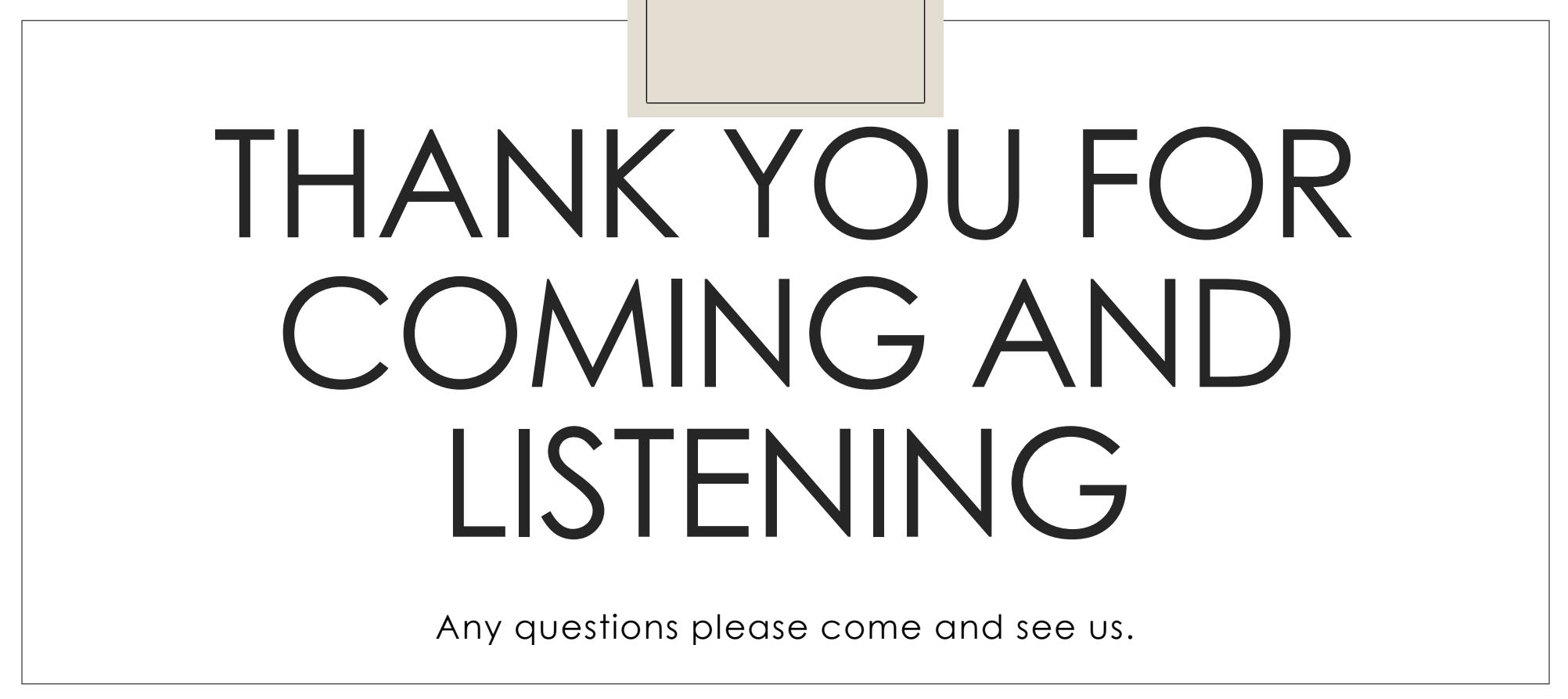
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If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at [lancashire.gov.uk](https://lancashire.gov.uk) or scan the QR code.



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Any questions please come and see us.