



## Supporting your child with reading

At Jubilee we believe that a love of reading is essential to every child's progress. We ask you to encourage your child to read at home every day, and read with them to support their learning as often as possible.

### Reading Records

**Please sign your child's reading record every time you read a book with them.** This can be their school reading book, a book they are reading at home, or e-books accessed on Bug Club.

Your child's reading record is there to allow you to communicate regularly with their teacher about their reading at home and school. If there is something your child particularly enjoys or finds tricky when reading at home, please make a short note of it to let their teacher know. The children read 1:1 with an adult at school at least twice per week and will change their reading book appropriately with the guidance of adults in class.

### Accessing Bug Club online

If you have access to an internet connection, your child can read Bug Club books online on any device. Your child's teacher sets their reading level on Bug Club to correspond with the level of books they are currently reading in print.



You can access their unique homepage with e-books by visiting: [www.activelearnprimary.co.uk](http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk) and entering the login details on the sticker inside their reading record. We also offer an after school club where the children can use Bug Club.

### Reading with your child

Asking your child questions while they are reading a book can help to check their understanding of the text. Here are some questions you could ask:

Before reading	During reading	After reading
Do you think this is a fiction or non-fiction book?	What does this word mean?	Did you enjoy the book? Why/why not?
What can you see on the front cover?	How do you think that character is feeling? How do you know?	Is it like any other books you've read?
What type of story do you think this is going to be?	Why do you think the character is doing/saying that?	
Does this remind you of any other books?	Do you like this character? Why/why not?	
	What do you think will happen next?	



## Tips for supporting your child with reading

Children's reading charity BookTrust offers lots of advice for parents and carers for supporting children's reading development and enjoyment:

- **Every little helps.** Even a few minutes of sharing a book with your child each day is beneficial to their reading development and enjoyment of books.
- **Ask your child what they'd like to read.** They will feel more interested in a book they have chosen.
- **Reduce distractions.** If possible, turn off TVs, radios and computers during reading time.
- **Sit close together.** Encourage your child to hold the book and turn the pages themselves.
- **Look at the pictures together.** It's great to laugh at funny pictures or use images to guess what might happen next.
- **Ask questions and talk about what's happening in the book.** This can be a great way to discuss your child's emotions and interests.
- **Have fun!**

## Other ideas for encouraging a love of reading

- **Visit your local library** for reading advice, book recommendations, and a huge supply of books for your child to enjoy. You may also find special author events and reading sessions. **Brixton Library offers many brilliant events for adults and children.**
- **Read in front of your child and get them to join in with you.** This could be a book, a poem, a newspaper, a recipe or a sign when you're out and about.
- **Keep reading together as your child gets older.**
- **Encourage your child to read for fun.**
- **Swap books with friends.**
- **Visit the new school library with your child for a parent/child reading session.** More information on these will be available soon.