

Ellington Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

One of the most important targets for Ellington Primary School is to further develop reading within the school. We have just invested in a new phonics and reading scheme for Key Stage One and hope to soon invest in a wide range of new reading books for Key Stage Two.

Reading has so many benefits to all of us:

- > Improves the functioning of the brain
- Increases Vocabulary
- Increases Knowledge
- Sharpens Memory
- > Strengthens Writing Skills
- Fosters Concentration

At Ellington, we want pupils to learn to empathise with different characters through reading a range of texts, both fiction and non-fiction, set in real world and fantasy settings.

We hope to build enthusiasm through reading a wide range of texts, going to the library, sharing class novels, contacting authors and celebrating World Book Day, developing a real love for books.

The PTA at Ellington have already raised some funds for our school library, which we hope to open in Spring. They are also running a Christmas raffle, (Details to be announced soon!) with the aim of raising more funds to support resources in the library.

Currently, a very popular bookshop (The Big Green Bookshop) is running a raffle to support Ellington Primary School. Despite only making contact with the shop's owner via Twitter, he has kindly donated some fantastic prizes for a raffle, with the proceeds coming to Ellington to support our library. Details can be found by clicking <u>here</u>. Tickets costs £2 and you have a chance of winning a £100 voucher for the book shop as well as a selection of books.

If you or a family member would be interested in volunteering in school and listening to children read, we would love to hear from you, please get in touch for more details.

Best Wishes,

Mr Hodgson

