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Taddington and Priestcliffe Readathon Week beginning 1st March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

During the week commencing Monday 1st March 2021, we will be holding a Readathon challenge, encouraging children to read, whilst raising money to improve our library in school.

It's been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives (OECD).

The aim is for the children to have a week where reading-for-pleasure takes priority. We hope that you will actively encourage your child to participate and also encourage family and friends to sponsor your child for each minute that they read. Pupils can choose whatever they want to read: books, e-books, poetry, comics – anything goes! Sharing books is fine too (in fact recommended!) as well as listening to audio books.

You can support your child in a number of ways:-

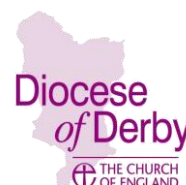
1. Help them to choose what they want to read throughout the week.
2. Encourage your child to read at home for a sustained period of time, and keep a record of their reading on the **reading log** attached.
3. Help your child to collect sponsors amongst friends and family. It really doesn't matter how much you raise; our Readathon is about taking part, working together as a team to complete a challenge, and developing a regular reading habit.
4. Once you have collected your sponsorship money, donate it to school using ParentPay by Friday 12th March. This will display as an item when you log on and you can donate more than once.

Please return your child's reading log to school by Friday 12th March. **Any child who reads for at least 2 hours across the week will be entered into our raffle for the chance of winning a prize!**

Thank you again for your support and good luck!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Williams and Mrs Chapman
(Reading champions)



Read for free online

The logo for Storyline Online, featuring the text "Storyline Online" in a white serif font on a dark red rectangular background.

Developed by The Screen Actors Guild Foundation, Storyline Online features accomplished actors and actresses reading some of their favourite children's books. Each story comes with a free Activity Guide and can be viewed on YouTube or SchoolTube

The logo for Freechildrenstories.com, featuring a white book icon above the text "Freechildrenstories.com" in white on a blue rectangular background.

Founded in 2008, freechildrenstories.com operates on the simple principle that children's development is paramount. Their mission is to offer traditional, meaningful storytelling to every child, parent, or teacher around the globe with access to the internet, for free.

The logo for Storynory, featuring a green cartoon frog on the left and the text "Storynory" in a yellow, rounded font on a dark blue background.

Storynory features a collection of original, fairy tale, and classic children's audio stories. Students can follow along with the story as it is read to them, as the text is also included on the site.

The logo for National Geographic Kids, featuring the yellow rectangular border of the National Geographic logo on the left and the text "NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS" in white and yellow on a green background.

There are lots of interesting and fun articles for children to read on the National Geographic Kids website

The logo for Oxford Owl, featuring the text "Oxford Owl" in white and yellow on a dark grey background.

After registering for a free account, you have access to a whole e-book library.

The logo for Read To Me International, featuring a stylized dotted line graphic above the text "Read To Me INTERNATIONAL" in black.

Read to Me features popular children's books being read by famous performers. There are activity guides with hands-on ideas, discussion questions.

The logo for Derbyshire County Council, featuring a stylized 'D' in a purple square followed by the text "DERBYSHIRE County Council" in purple.

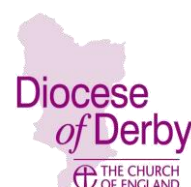
Derbyshire library has 1954 e-books and 452 audio books to borrow. If you are not a member yet, then you can join online.

The logo for Monkey Pen, featuring a cartoon monkey face inside a speech bubble followed by the text "monkey pen" in a colorful, playful font.

Free downloadable children's books in PDF format.

The logo for Project Gutenberg, featuring the text "Project Gutenberg" in a stylized font over a background image of a classical building.

Free library with many classic books. This link takes you to the children's fiction section of the site.

The logo for the Diocese of Derby, featuring a purple map of Derbyshire above the text "Diocese of Derby" and "THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND" with a cross icon.