

The Valley Primary School



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Half Term Reading Competition.

Wednesday 15th February 2023.

Dear parents and carers,

We are launching some new initiatives in school to help support our children develop a life-long love for reading, and we'd like your help! Below are details of two different ways you can share your love of reading and we would really like to hear from as many of you as possible. There are prizes to be won!

Reading in an unusual place.

All you need to do is encourage your children to read and take a photograph of them reading in the most unusual place. You could read upside down, with your pet... the possibilities are endless!

Photos should be emailed to: cbould@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk. Please indicate whether you give permission for the photographs to be shared on social media.

Recommend a text.

We would also like to hear all about our children's favourite books, stories, articles and texts that they read at home, so we can share them with the whole school. This could be a much-loved bedtime story, a non-fiction book about anything that interests them, a comic or magazine they look forward to – anything they love to read and think that other children in school would love too! The best recommendations will be displayed in our brand new reading area in the hall for other children to share. It only needs a sentence or two to convince us, and there's literally no limit to the number of texts you can recommend! Suggestions can be emailed to cbould@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk, or written on a piece of paper and handed to any member of staff – children should let us know the name of the text, why they love it and recommend it, and their name and class.

The school council will be judging the winning photographs for the 'Reading in an unusual place' on **Friday 3rd March 2023**. We cannot wait to see your entries. Good luck and happy reading!

Entries for 'Reading in an Unusual Place' will need to arrive no later than **Thursday 2nd March 2023**. You can print your photo and bring it to school, if you would prefer.

The competitions will be judged in three categories: Early Years and Key Stage 1 (Class 1), Lower Key Stage 2 (Class 2) and Upper Key Stage 2 (Class 3).

Do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or need any further information.

Many thanks in advance,

Mrs. C Bould
English Lead.