



Farmor's School Library

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Dear Parents & Carers,

At Farmor's we are running a Read for Good Readathon with Years 7, 8 and 9 and we'd love your child to join in. We are running this for two weeks from Monday 20th May to Friday 7th June 2024. This is part of an initiative with other Gloucestershire Schools called Year of Reading, so our local primary schools are also taking part.

It's been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives (OECD, 2002).

The charity **Read for Good** encourages children to read through its unique motivational approach that inspires reluctant readers to give reading a go and keen readers to read more widely. Pupils can choose whatever they want to read - from comics to classics and audiobooks to blogs - they are not being assessed, it's all about reading for fun! And, they are motivated to read because the money they raise in sponsorship helps to provide a regular supply of brand-new books and a resident storyteller to every major children's hospital in the UK.

The evidence from other schools is clear: teachers, parents and pupils all say that the freedom to choose what to read, combined with the knowledge that they are directly helping children in hospital, makes participation easy and compelling.

If you would like to find out more information about the charity Read for Good, [you can visit their website here](#).

Sponsor cards will be handed out during assemblies and you can find steps on how to take part on the next page. During the readathon students can also take part in our Readathon Challenge. Two winners will receive a £5 book token. That said, the main goal of our Readathon is to get students excited about reading and taking part in the challenge together. So please do encourage your child to take part even if you aren't in a position to donate.



How to

TAKE PART



Take a look at what they plan to read and encourage them to visit our Library to choose books at breaktime or lunchtime.

Remember they can read whatever they want: books, e-books, poetry, comics – anything goes! Sharing books is fine too (in fact recommended!) as well as listening to audio books.

Your child can browse and reserve books using our [school Library website here](#). We are open before school and at break and lunchtime, so please encourage them to come along. We presently have a great display of sci-fi books to celebrate Star Wars Day on May 4th (May The Force Be with You!



Help your child find sponsors among family and friends.



The way to sponsor a child [can be found here](#). Family and friends can use this link too. Please do not send cash or cheques to school. Thank you again for your enthusiasm and support.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Barker-Harrod

Librarian