

# Kirkby on Bain Church of England Primary School

*'Learning together for life'*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

At Kirkby on Bain CE Primary School, we strive to foster a love of reading both in school and at home. Our reading mentors have recently purchased some new books for the school library following discussions with each class about books they would like to read. Across school, we are sensing a real buzz about reading with children sharing books and their love of reading.

After hearing of success of the following idea in another school, we would like to begin a 'Mystery reader scheme' across our school. The aim of "Mystery Reader" is to show children that adults love reading too, so we would like to invite parents, grandparents, other family members or other special visitors to come into their child's class to read a children's story. You could read a book you particularly enjoyed reading when you were growing up; a current children's book brought from home or one selected from the school library. It might be just a chapter from a favourite children's book to tempt the children into reading the whole book! The book will need to be age appropriate for the class you are reading to and it would help to share the book with the class teacher prior to the session.

***In order for the class to gain the full impact and excitement of the mystery reader experience, please keep it a secret and hence a mystery, even from your own child!***

We would like to launch the scheme during National Storytelling week (week beginning January 26<sup>th</sup>). For this week, we would like every class to have a mystery reader, but following on from that, class teachers will choose suitable times and how often it will occur. We will try our best to have all willing volunteers joining us for a mystery read across the rest of the school year.

If you are interested in becoming a mystery reader, then please complete the following form. Don't forget to ask other relatives, including older siblings! It is likely that the mystery reader sessions will occur at the end of the school day, but this is dependent on the class timetable.

If you have any questions, then please let us know. We hope you join us for this exciting reading adventure!

Yours sincerely,

*LWard & NTuite*

**Mrs Ward & Mrs Tuite**

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Name of mystery reader: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of child/children: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the child/children: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to be part of the launch week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> January? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, which days are you available? \_\_\_\_\_

Which day/days of the week are your preference to be a mystery reader moving forward? \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide an email address to be able to contact you regarding this \_\_\_\_\_ (if you are on Seesaw, then we will contact you via a private message)

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