

1 in 4 children cannot read well by the age of 11. This hugely limits their life choices and skills. We're on a mission to change this and we need your help!

We invite you to encourage your child to take up the [Summer Reading Challenge](#). It's the UK's biggest reading for pleasure programme for children aged 4 to 11, delivered via public libraries. Children can sign up for free at their local library or [online](#) – please see below for further details.

You can make a huge difference by encouraging your child to take part. [Contact your local library today.](#)

The Summer Reading Challenge:

- Significantly **improves reading confidence** and independence
- Ensures pupils are **ready for their return to school**, preventing the summer reading 'dip'
- Aids the **successful transition** between year groups and key stages
- Contributes to *all* pupils' **achievement**
- Encourages **extra-curricular activity** – encouraging family engagement with reading
- Develops links between your school, the library and the **wider community**

For children who took part in 2023:

- **80% read more** over the summer holidays
- **70% improved** their reading skills
- **72% felt more confident** about their reading

How it works:

- Children sign up through their local library and receive a collector's poster.
- They set a reading goal and borrow books of their choice during the summer, collecting special stickers and incentives.
- Library staff and volunteers help children to discover new books that suit their interests and reading level and run a programme of free themed activities in the library.
- Children who complete the Challenge are presented with a certificate.
- Tunstead Primary will **organise a special assembly to present the certificates** in the new term.
- Children can take part online, too! www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk