

Reading Buddy Job Description

Role Purpose

Reading Buddies are children who help others enjoy reading. They support younger pupils or classmates by listening to them read, sharing stories, and helping to build confidence in reading.

Main Responsibilities

- **Listen to Readers:** Sit with younger children or peers and listen carefully while they read.
- **Encourage and Support:** Give kind words and praise to help build confidence.
- **Share Stories:** Read books aloud to younger children to make reading fun.
- **Be a Role Model:** Show enthusiasm for books and set a good example as a reader.
- **Promote Reading:** Encourage others to visit the library, swap books, or try new authors.
- **Respect Books:** Take care of books and remind others to do the same. Keep our library organised and tidy. Look after the Reading and Writing shed outside.

Qualities and Skills Needed

- Enjoys reading and sharing books.
- Patient, kind, and encouraging.
- A good listener.
- Reliable and responsible.
- Confident to talk with younger children.

Commitment

- Give up some time each week to work with reading partners.
- Attend training or meetings if needed.
- Wear a Reading Buddy badge so others know who you are.
- Follow the school's behaviour policy and values at all times.

What You Will Gain

- Confidence in supporting others.
 - Communication and leadership skills.
 - The joy of helping younger children learn to read.
 - Pride in making reading a positive part of school life.
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Reading Buddy Application Form

Name: _____

Class: _____

1. Why would you like to be a Reading Buddy?

2. What do you enjoy about reading?

3. What skills or qualities do you have that would make you a good Reading Buddy?

(For example: kind, patient, good at listening, enjoys books)

4. How will you help younger children to enjoy reading?

5. Is there anything else you'd like us to know?

Signature: _____

Date: _____