

How to support your child to read at home



Cranbrook
Primary School

Cranbrook foster a culture where reading for pleasure is valued and celebrated, enabling pupils to see themselves as lifelong readers who read widely and often.

All children at Cranbrook will be provided with a 1-1 reading book across the school closely matched to our TWINKL phonics scheme using Rhino Readers and Collins Big Cat books. These books will be selected to match the pupil's current phonics level in EYFS and KS1 and their reading band in KS2.

They will be sent home weekly to be engaged with. Pupils in the lowest 20% in Reception-Year 2 will be provided with an additional Dandelion Launchers book.

All children will also be provided with a reading for pleasure book to read in their own leisure.

Please see below what you can do at home to facilitate reading for your child:

1) Create a positive reading environment

This can take shape in many forms, for example daily reading which can ideally take place before bedtime with no devices present. It is essential that you take time to enjoy reading with your child and that they see you value books. Make sure you discuss the books with your children, model to them how to read and ensure books are easy to access.

2) Re-cap phonics at home

Encourage children to segment and blend at home, re-capping sounds that they may struggle with and practising tricky words.

3) Library Trips

Take your child to the local library and let them explore the books around them.

<https://visionrcl.org.uk/libraries/redbridge-central-library/>

<https://visionrcl.org.uk/libraries/wanstead-library/>

4) Make use of the Collins E-book Library

<https://pupil.collinshub.co.uk/learner.html?s=qh2ZmR2XwgTM2QzXzFGcvlWd5RncldXc>

5) Book recommendations

Use the 'Books for Topics' recommended reads list to find new books (all of these are available in your child's class or year group libraries).

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/>

Also 'The Reader Teacher' website can help your child find recommendations from a range of modern and classic reads.

<https://www.thereaderteacher.com/>