NCEA Trust Reading information Early years foundation stage







Reading in Reception

- Your child will bring home 2 books every week:
- 1. My book: a book that will give them extra practice in reading a story that includes sounds they have learnt at school. This will be changed once a week.
- There are often questions in the back of this book. Read these aloud and ask him/her to find the answers in this book.
- 2. A library book: a book they have chosen for you to share together each night and talk about the story and the characters in it.
- Write a comment about how they read in their reading planner. This is a great help to us!



Reading folders help protect books and fit nicely into our class drawer.

Reading in Reception

- Your child will bring home a library book to share with you. They have chosen this book on their own. You will have this book for 1 week. Then return it to school.
- You could ask questions beginning with a what, why, where, which or how.

What you can expect from us:

- Your child will read with an adult in school every week.
- We will change your child's book regularly.
- We will give them amazing experience of books and show them how to take care of them.

What we expect from you:

- Read with your child as often as possible.
- Send reading books into school every day.
- Comment in their reading record book every time you read.
- Show children how to respect their books.



Questions you could ask your child

Before reading the book

- Can you point to the title? What is this? (point to the title)
- What do you think this story is about? What might happen in this story?
- Who is in the story?

During reading of the book

- What is happening here?
- What is the doing?
- What might happen next?
- How do you think the story might end?
- Is ______ friendly/mean/nice...?
- What does _____ mean? (to check understanding of a word)

At the end of a book

- Did you like this book? Why?
- What was your favourite part? Why?
- What character did you like the best? Why?
- What did the character do? (give a situation/event from the story)
- What happened in the story?



Helping your child read

I spy

...play I spy games. Can you find words beginning with...? Can you find a picture of a...? How many...can you see?

Make it fun

...enjoy reading together. Give characters funny voices and engage with the pictures. Make a game out of finding words that rhyme or start with the same sound.

Get out

... go to a public library regularly. Find the books you loved as a child to read together.

Create

...use reading to inspire drawings or new stories

Make space

...have a special place or a certain time when you read together.

Be seen

...make sure you're seen reading. Keep books and magazines at easy reach.

Go online

...look online & in app stores for appropriate word & spelling games

Reading Record- Helpful Comments

Write a comment about how they read in their reading planner.

My child...

- is happy about their choice of book.
- remembers the story so far.
- knows the meaning of a new word.
- can read words when I point to a word without reading the whole sentence.
- is confident to read new words.
- sounds out words.
- recognises a mistake and self-corrects.

Children want to become readers if they experience the joy of listening to stories, poetry and non- fiction.

