

Reading at Glencoats

Our Reading Focus

At Glencoats Primary, we PRACTISE our reading skills every day. These include:

- Predict (what will happen next?)
- Retrieve (find information)
- Ask/Answer Questions
- Clarify (check)
- Think/Visualise
- Infer (read between the lines)
- Summarise (find the main points)
- Enjoyment



Visualize



We practise our reading skills during whole class texts, reading group work and reading for pleasure and enjoyment.



Class Novel Study

All classes in the school chose a novel to study as their class topic during Term 1. All our classes created wonderful wall displays of their work based around the novel outside their classroom. Throughout the year, pupils experience whole class reading where the teacher will read the novel aloud. This is usually followed up with discussion-based activities and tasks in line with Renfrewshire's Dive into Reading Approach.



Big Cat Reading Scheme

This year, we have invested in Collins BIG CAT Reading Scheme and resources. Pupils experience a variety of book-banded fiction and non-fiction texts to ensure all learners have a wider range of experiences to fully develop their reading skills. Using Big Cat as our whole school reading scheme for group reading response will help improve consistency, challenge, breadth, progression and pace for pupil reading development.

E-books



Our use of technology to enhance reading continues to evolve across the school. All pupils are set up on Collins E-book platform which allows pupils to log on, in school and at home, to read books at appropriate levels. Levels 1-11 have the option for audiobooks. Furthermore we are actively encouraging pupils to log in to the Renfrewshire library e-book service for use in class. Pupils only require the long number on their library card and their 8-digit password (date of birth ddmmyyy). These can both be accessed online or by downloading the app (see website for details).

<https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com>

<https://renfrewshire.overdrive.com>

Book Banding

We use a book-banded approach in line with BIG CAT reading scheme which ranges from Lilac Level 1 - Pearl level 18. Book-banding involves all books, from a range of publishers and authors, being graded in a colour system with all pupils identified for particular colour bands, based on their reading age, ability and levels. To build confidence, understanding and reading fluency for individuals and ensure they have texts to suit their level of reading, each class has Marvellous Pupil Choice Boxes, where pupils can choose a book at their reading band.



Reading Areas

At Glencoats, we are a **MARVEL**ous Reading School. Our School Library area has been transformed with the arrival of Superheroes from the Marvel Universe creating a Marvel Avengers theme and encouraging our pupils to read as much as possible. All classes are timetabled to access the library area once a week and pupils can take a book from the library home to read for pleasure. Each classroom also has a class library where books are carefully selected giving pupils further access to reading on a daily basis. E.R.I.C (Everyone Reading In Class) time is scheduled for in class most days where pupils can read for pleasure on their own or with a partner.

Pupils can continue reading for pleasure outdoors with our Marvellous Outdoor Reading Boxes situated at 3 locations in the playground. After a very successful Reading Buddies programme in Term 1 between P1-2 and P6-7 and in order to support this, a selection of Primary 6/7 pupils have volunteered as Reading Buddies in the playground.



Marvellous Reading Challenge -

Reading for pleasure and enjoyment is promoted, encouraged and celebrated through 'Glencoats Marvellous Readers' recognition awards. Once pupils have finished reading a book and completed a task based on it, they will add a star to their individual/class reading chart. There are 5 certificates that pupils can earn (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum and Platinum Plus). After reading a certain number of books, pupils achieve Reading Milestones and are rewarded. It is important that pupils receive recognition and achievement through Reading for Pleasure in school and at home.



