

0 N E R E N

9 June 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year in libraries during the summer holidays. Children sign up, choose their reading goal (we recommend six books), then read any books of their choice to collect special stickers and collect other rewards – all for FREE. Children who complete the Challenge will receive a certificate and a medal. The theme this year is Gadgeteers, a celebration of science and innovation. There will be free science and technology craft activities in libraries throughout the summer. The Challenge runs from June 25<sup>th</sup> to August 20<sup>th</sup>.

To help more children take part this year, the Skoobmobile, the children's mobile service is working with St Catherine's Primary to sign up pupils to the Challenge before the summer holidays. Your child will receive a Gadgeteers poster and the Skoobmobile will visit the school to tell them how the Challenge works, and they will be able to borrow books to start them off. Pupils require a library membership to participate in the Challenge. We will issue all pupils who don't have a library membership with a library card or provide a replacement ticket if they have lost their card. The school will share with the library service your child's name, date of birth and address, to enable us to create new library memberships. Your child's library card will be valid for 4 years. The Skoobmobile will also be parked outside Gallowhill Community Centre from 10am to 12.30 every Tuesday morning during the summer holidays.

Renfrewshire has a network of 12 public libraries and a mobile library service the Skoobmobile. We provide a wide range of resources and activities for children and families, including free online resources such as ebooks, audio books and Britannica Library. Your child's library card enables them to search the online catalogue and renew and reserve books from home. Using the library is completely free for children and there are no charges on overdue items, or item reservations. We will not charge if any books borrowed for the Summer Reading Challenge are lost or damaged. For more information please visit www.renfrewshirelibraries.co.uk

Please note that The Summer Reading Challenge is an optional activity. Should you wish for your child to take part, Renfrewshire Council will require to share personal information relating to your child with OneRen (Renfrewshire Leisure). This information will include your child's: full name, school name, SEEMIS reference (13 characters – alpha – numeric), date of birth, gender and address. The information shared will only be used for the purposes of issuing your child with a library card or replacement ticket and signing them up to the Summer Reading Challenge; it will not be used for any other purpose. All information will be shared and processed in accordance with data protection legislation, including the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK GDPR. Further information on the Privacy Policies of Renfrewshire Council and OneRen can be found on their respective websites:

www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/privacypolicy https://www.oneren.org/privacy-policy

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If you are happy for your child to receive a library card and sign up to the Reading Challenge, then you need take no further action. If you would prefer to opt out, please by the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022, complete the tear-off slip below and return to school or email the school's enquiry box: <u>stcatherinesenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk</u> stating that you wish to opt out.

I hope your child will enjoy taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge and the benefits of library membership. If you have any queries, please email *libraries@renfrewshire.gov.uk* 

Yours sincerely,

A Givan

Andrew Givan, Children & Young People Co-ordinator Renfrewshire Libraries OneRen

## Please tear off slip and return to school by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022 if you would prefer to opt out:

I **do not** wish my child to be provided with a Renfrewshire Libraries membership and signed up to the Summer Reading Challenge

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ School\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent / Carer \_\_\_\_\_