# Why Is Reading Important?



#### The Importance of Reading

If you read just one book a day to your child, they will have been read 1825 books by their 5th birthday. 20 minutes of reading a day is 3600 minutes per school year which is 1800000 words per year.

Every day counts. Every book counts!

#### The Benefits Of Reading

Reading stimulates our mind and brain

Reading can improve our memory and focus

Reading books is the best way to gain more knowledge

Reading is good for children to enhance their creativity

#### What can you do to support your child

Talk about the features of the book - title, blurb, pictures, author, illustrator

Ask questions about the story. Who, what, where, how, why

Encourage children to decode unfamiliar words - give them time, use visual clues if needed.

Get your child to make predictions about what might happen in the story

#### Reading at Brenzett

This week we have reintroduced our reading initiative designed to support all pupils reading development across the school. Not only will it help support their learning of reading but we hope it will also teach them how magical reading can be. We can't wait to see who is our first pupil to achieve their Bronze Award! Please see below how this new initiative works:

- Every pupil must read every day at home with/to an adult
- Independent reading at home will also be accepted for those in KS2
- They can read anything they like, from their school reading book to one from home, it could be a magazine, comic, anything, as long as they read.
- They need to have read for at least 15 minutes
- When a child has read, an adult must date and sign their reading log book so we can keep a track of the reading that is happening.
- After 10 consecutive reads, the pupil will receive their Bronze
- award. After another 10 reads, their Silver and after a further
- 10 reads, their Gold.
- If a child misses a day of reading they will go back to zero, therefore
  they must keep up their reading in order to not miss out on their
  chance to achieve an award.
- Teachers/TAs will number the reads in school to keep a track on where pupils are.

#### Free resources to support reading at home

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