



13th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Additional Reading Volunteers

We are looking for more parents/carers to put themselves forward as reading volunteers in school to help children improve their skills and develop a passion for reading. We know it makes a massive difference to children's reading and would love it if we could recruit more volunteers.

The role would require you to listen to children read on a one-to-one basis for a short amount of time every week (around 30 minutes per week, or longer if possible). We'd like to emphasise that absolutely **no teaching experience is required** for the role. The purpose of the volunteers is for them to be there to listen to children read, to give them practice of reading aloud and to build their confidence and enjoyment of reading.

We will be holding a training session for all new volunteers on **Friday 31st January**. It will be in two parts:

Safeguarding- 9.00am – 9.30am with Lisa Cameron

Reading Strategies- 9.30am – 10.30am with Sarah Greenway

If you are interested in listening to children read in school on a weekly basis, please complete the reply slip below and return it to the school office by **Friday 24th January**.

All reading volunteers will need to hold a DBS (formerly known as CRB) certificate, which the school apply for on your behalf. There is no cost involved for volunteer certificates. If you have already worked as a volunteer at Oswald Road and your DBS is still in date then you will not need a new one.

Kind regards,

Sarah Greenway (Reading and Parental Links Lead) & Lisa Cameron (Safeguarding & Pastoral Manager)

Additional Reading Volunteers

Child/Children's Names & Classes: _____

I would like to become a reading volunteer

I am able to attend the training session on Friday 31st January

Your name: _____ (Parent/Carer)

Email: _____



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