



# Reading Together at Park



Reading is the most important skill our children learn; it is essential for life and education. Reading allows children to explore the world, develop empathy, learn vocabulary and it improves exam results. Reading for pleasure can also help children escape and relax.

At Park Community School, we are working hard to inspire our students to read and improve their reading skills; we believe that the role of parents' is crucial and welcome your support.

## How are we supporting your child's reading?

- All students can have two books on loan from the school library – all students should carry one of these in their school bag.
- We read to your child regularly – each year group is sharing an exciting novel in tutor time – please ask them about it!
- All students complete a reading test so we can target interventions for each child.
- Year 7 are regularly completing the Reading Plus programme which is proven to reading fluency and vocabulary.

## How to support your child's reading:



**Love:** start with what they love to read- remember they can read magazines, newspapers and online articles too.



**Talk:** ask your child what they have been reading at school and discuss their opinions.



**Share:** tell your child about your favourite books.



**Books:** have books at home – you can join the local library and add a book to Christmas/birthday gifts.



**Time:** make sure your child has a quiet place and time to read.



**Listen:** download audio books – you can also share at home or in the car.



**Reading Plus:** Year 7 can complete this programme at home too – they all have their log in information.