

7 February 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

We are pleased to announce that we are running a **Read for Good Readathon** and we would be delighted if your child were to take part.

It has been proven that children who read for pleasure are more likely to be successful and happy throughout their lives.

The charity Read for Good encourages children to read through its unique motivational approach inspiring reluctant readers to give reading a go and keen readers to read more widely. Pupils can choose whatever they want to read - from comics to classics and audio books to blogs. They are not being assessed, it is all about reading for fun and they are motivated to read because the money they raise in sponsorship helps to provide a regular supply of brand-new books and a resident storyteller to **Leeds General Infirmary**.

Teachers, parents and pupils tell us that the freedom to choose what to read, combined with the knowledge that they are directly helping children in hospital compels pupils to get involved.

All you have to do is:

1. Fill in the attached consent form and ensure that it is returned to the librarian by **Tuesday, 21 February 2023**. Once your child has returned their slip, they will be issued with a sponsor card and a bookmark.
2. **Take a look at what they plan to read** or help them complete their list of books to read. Remember they can read whatever they want: books, e-books, poetry, comics – anything goes! Sharing books is fine too (in fact recommended!) as well as listening to audio books.
3. **Help your child find sponsors among family and friends**. The easiest way to sponsor a child is at <https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor> (which family and friends can use too) or return the sponsor card with a cheque(s) or cash sent to school.

Please support your child's sponsored read as much as you can. They will be helping kids in hospitals get books, as well as helping themselves. Our academy receives free books worth 20% of our grand sponsorship total – so there really is something in it for everyone.

For more information, check out your child's sponsorship card and visit www.readforgood.org.

Yours faithfully



Mrs R Bate
Librarian

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Consent Form - Readathon: Monday, 27 February – Friday, 24 March 2023

Please return to the library or form tutor by Tuesday, 21 February 2023.

I give permission for my child: Form:
.....to take part in the Readathon.

Parent / Carer Sign: Date

Parent / Carer Print Name: