



Reading Champions

Pupils at Meadows Primary School tell us why they like being Reading Champions



Meadows Primary Reading Champions: Pav, Abdul, Niall, Jack, David, Sam, Sam

Are you quite well known around the school?

“Everyone knows who we are so if they need something doing for them that involves books, they can just come to one of us.”

What do you think you’ve got out of being Reading Champions?

“Pride. Self-confidence and self-respect. We’ve got respect in school too.”



“The fact you know you’ve just helped somebody to read is good and we read more ourselves too.”

So what have you been getting up to?

“We are reading buddies. We support younger children and help boost their confidence by reading with them. We write in their books and give them a sticker at the end of the week.”

What do you do if one of the children gets stuck on a word?

“We encourage them by saying things like ‘go on, you can do it’.”

“I was working with one girl who was really uncomfortable. She couldn’t read the first word of the book but then I put a finger on the letters and she just picked it up along the way and then got a sticker.”

What else have you been doing?

“We’ve been updating the Reading Champions blog. We really enjoy that and we put loads of displays up around the school.”



“We help in the library and we’ve written to magazine companies to ask for magazines.”

What would you do if a year one pupil told you he didn’t like reading?

“We’d ask him what sort of things he liked and then try and find a book about that. For example, most boys in the school like wrestling so when they see a wrestler reading they think if the wrestler is reading, I want to read.”

So what are your pupils waiting for? It’s great being a Reading Champion.

