

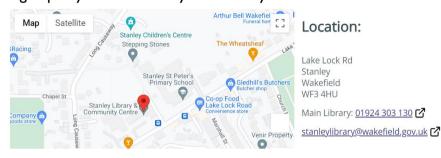
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Dear families,

Your child is invited to sign up for this year's <u>Summer Reading Challenge</u>. Sign up at your local library! The library that is local to our academy is:



What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to keep reading during the school summer holidays – and to enjoy anything they like to read! Children aged 4-11 are invited to set a reading goal, and collect rewards for their reading.

It's **FREE** to take part, and last year 75% of children taking part improved their reading skills over the holidays.¹

Why should my child sign up?

- They will be **better prepared to return to school** in the autumn.
- The Challenge supports the move into a new year group.
- Becoming more independent in their reading boosts children's **confidence and self-esteem.**
- The library provides **free access** to books and fun family activities all through the summer.
- Library staff are on hand to offer support and book recommendations.

Your child will be part of a UK-wide programme developed by <u>The Reading Agency</u> and delivered in partnership with the <u>public library network</u>.

How can my child take part?

In the library. Visit your local library and sign up. Your child will:

- Set a reading goal for the summer and borrow and read books, eBooks and audiobooks. Your child can choose anything they like to read!
- Receive a Challenge folder and collect special stickers and rewards for reading.

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Alternatively you can sign up_online. Take part online at <u>summerreadingchallenge.org.uk</u>

- Sign up on the <u>official Challenge website</u>.
- Set a reading goal and get tips for accessing books for free at home.
- Unlock digital badges and online rewards, including a printable certificate.

When?

Throughout England the challenge will start **on Saturday, 8th July 2023** and run throughout the summer holidays.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Park English Curriculum Excellence Lead