

Tuesday 30th September 2025

Books and Reading in Nursery

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Kingfisher Academy Hall, we aim to foster a love of reading and highlight the significant role it plays in children's development. Reading, being read to, and sharing books at home all help to build your child's vocabulary, imagination, and understanding of the world. We encourage you to spend a few minutes reading with your child or encouraging them to enjoy books independently—this can make a real difference to their confidence and progress.

In the nursery, your child will be given a reading book every **Tuesday**. Please ensure that the book is **returned every Monday** and that the **reading record is signed**.

Here are some simple tips to help children enjoy reading:

- **Make reading part of your daily routine** – A bedtime story or a quiet moment after school can be perfect.
- **Talk about the book** – Discuss the pictures, characters, or what might happen next.
- **Re-read the story** – Let your child join in with repetitive phrases.
- **Talk about characters' feelings** – Discuss how the characters might feel in the story.
- **Predict what happens next** – Encourage your child to say what might happen next.
- **Discuss favourite characters** – Talk about their favourite character and why.
- **Talk about favourite parts** – Encourage your child to share their favourite part of the story.
- **Share stories through pictures** – Use illustrations to tell the story together, even without reading all the words.
- **Be a reading role model** – Let your child see you enjoying reading too.
- **Keep it fun** – Celebrate their efforts and enjoy stories together.

Thank you for supporting your child's reading journey at home. Working together, we can help your child become a confident reader who develops a love of stories that will stay with them for life.

Warm regards,

Mrs. Pieterse

Diamond Class Teacher