



At Eastrington School we consider reading to be a key skill, which underpins all subjects in the curriculum. We believe that all pupils should leave school as competent and lifelong readers, writers and learners.

In school there is a wide range of structured reading material, initially chosen by the class teacher, and then later by the child themselves as they select books from a large selection of 'real books'.

All our books are sorted and labelled into coloured book bands. This helps us monitor the reading progression of our pupils throughout their entire school life.

As a school we use a range of reading schemes including:

- Oxford Reading Tree (Whole School)
- Songbird and Floppy's Phonics
- Ginn All aboard
- Rigby Rockets
- Oxford Literacy Web
- Treetops

All classrooms have an interesting, well stocked book area which includes fiction and non-fiction books. Teachers regularly share good quality texts with their own class.

We consider reading as a partnership between home and school, and so pupils are expected to take reading books home regularly to share. Activities may include talking about pictures, reading aloud, discussing the text, predicting what might happen next and writing reviews. To develop continuity between home and school, each pupil has a reading record book, where both parents and teachers can record any comment.

We also have a Reading Reward Scheme where children are rewarded for reading at home. As a school, we firmly believe that supporting a child at home with their reading is vitally important in helping each child to fulfil their potential. To encourage our pupils we give out rewards including pencils, erasers, rulers, stationery gift sets and books each time they achieve Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.