



# Ackton Pastures Primary Academy



## Parent Information: Home School Reading

At Ackton reading is at the heart of our curriculum. We believe that reading is the most important and fundamental skill that your children ever learn. If as a busy parent you have only time to do one activity with your child, reading would be a great one to choose. It does not matter if you read to your child, or if you hear your child read. Or even if you do a bit of both. You can listen to a story on audible, or on the CBeebies bedtime hour.

Stories and hearing stories being read to them develops children's language and understanding for life.

We feel it is vital that as well as reading daily in school, children read as regularly as possible at home. As such, we will be sending books and a reading diary home with your child each week. We ask that you try to read with or to your child a minimum of 3 times per week, but if you can fit more sessions in please do!

You can record these sessions in your child's reading diary. The diary will be checked each week by the staff in school and reading celebrated. Your teacher will let you know which day books will be changed. Each time books come into school to be changed they will go into the changeover box. This box will then go into storage for 72 hours so that books are decontaminated before being used by any other children. It is really important that children remember to bring their book into school each day, especially so that they do not miss the changeover day.

When children read with the teacher, the teacher will have a separate record book to record each session. This will prevent any cross contamination from school to home.