

## **Reading at Springdale Primary School**

Springdale school aims to develop each child so that they are able to read with fluency and understanding and communicate effectively to any given audience

To support early development of reading, children in Early years and Key Stage 1 take part in the RWI programme. The Government strongly recommend the use of synthetic phonics when teaching early literacy skills to children.

Here at Springdale, we use the structured and systematic approach of the Read Write Inc (RWI) programme to get children off to a flying start with their English. RWI is a method of learning based upon letter sounds and phonics, and we use it to aid children in their reading and writing. The children are assessed regularly and grouped according to their ability.

Children in Year 1 complete the National Phonics check during the Summer Term.

Reading at KS2 continues to underpin the curriculum, children are encouraged to read both fiction and non-fiction texts from the book boxes. They are provided with opportunities to read stories from well-known children's authors.

Through the use of guided reading, shared reading and independent reading in Literacy lessons and across the curriculum, the children will be encouraged to develop a 'love of reading' which will prepare them for Secondary school and adult life, as well as enhancing their learning opportunities throughout school.

Children for whom reading still proves a challenge will be provided with high quality synthetic phonics in order to allow accelerated progress.