

E-Library Service

At Portsdown Primary School and Early Years, we have access to the Portsmouth schools E-Library service. It's a fantastic resource where children can access e-books and audiobooks from home—they are able to take quizzes on these books too!

Please ask your child's teacher for a login. To access the E-Library go to Portsdown.eplatform.co

Little Library



On the main drive, we have a Little Library which is full of fantastic stories for bedtimes. Please help yourself to a bedtime story and pop it back in the box when you're done with it!

Any questions? Please just ask Miss Gibson (English Lead at Key Stage Two)

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Or our **Reading Champion, Miss Griffin:**

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Reading at Portsdown Primary School and Early Years

Our aim is that children develop a love of reading. We believe that if children have the correct reading skills, they can understand the world.



How we work together to teach reading from Year 3 to Year 6.

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Reading at KS2

How can I help with reading at home?

With your support, we want every child to grow up to be a confident reader so that they can be successful at Portsdown Primary and beyond. Encourage your child to read books (which they will bring home), magazines, recipe books, directions and signs when out exploring.

Reading in school

All children have an independent reading book at their level which they choose from our amazing library. In KS2, they have an opportunity to read every day (often listened to by an adult) and they are able to bring library books home to share with an adult too.

What is Destination Reader?

Destination Reader involves exploring a range of good quality text types from themes of friendship, nature, feeling like an outsider, migration and conservation. In year 3 until the Summer Term they will be reading in groups. From the Summer Term in year 3 and in year 4, we learn reading as a whole class and they focus on learning one reading skill a week. In year 5 and 6 they will learn and practise a variety of skills each week.

Many of the books we read allow children to extend their knowledge of the world around them. Our aim is to create a love of reading and children who are able to explore the world for themselves. Destination reader is taught 5 times a week.

Books for children



What books will my child bring home from school?

Reading challenges—please encourage your child to read their book at least 4 times a week. Each year group has their own reading challenge where children can earn prizes and rewards for reading at home!

Why is reading at home so important?

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A sharing book Every week, your child will come home with a library book. This is a book for you to read **together** at home. See your class newsletter for which day your child will change their book.