

# Reading is fun

**Books can be exciting or calming. They spark the imagination and, most importantly, they are lots of fun.**

**Introducing your child to books early will also help with future learning.**

- ✓ Join your local library – membership is free!
- ✓ Set aside special time for reading, ensure a quiet space without distraction.
- ✓ Encourage your child to choose the book. This shows that you value their opinion and they will tend to engage with the book better.
- ✓ Sitting together will encourage your child to turn the pages and become more involved in the reading activity.
- ✓ Look at the pictures, point to them and talk about them. Encourage storytelling through the pictures.
- ✓ Encourage your child to talk about the book. Discuss the story, the characters and what might happen next.
- ✓ Don't be afraid to use funny voices for different characters. This makes the book more interesting and fun for children.



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