



"If you read, the world is yours!" – Michael Rosen

Monday 12th November 2018

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are uniting with schools across the city to take part in the 2018 Liverpool **Readathon** and we'd like your child(ren) to join in. The sponsored read will start in our school on the week beginning **Monday 12th November** and will run until **Friday 30th November**. It is being organised by school, the Liverpool Learning Partnership, and the charity 'Read for Good', which has been running its **Readathon** in schools since 1984 and complements our support for Children in Need 2018.

Liverpool's citywide **Readathon** aims to motivate thousands of children **to read for fun**. Children can read whatever they like – from comics to classics – and **20% of whatever we raise goes to our school library**. The rest supports 'Read for Good's' unique programme operating mobile bookcases and placing resident storytellers in all of the UK's major children's hospitals, **including Alder Hey**. Furthermore, 10% is going to support the wider work of the **Liverpool Learning Partnership for literacy projects** in the city.



What we'd like you to do:

- Your child has a **Readathon** sponsorship card. Help them to make a list of what they would like to read. Anything goes from comics to cook books; magazines to mystery stories, etc.
- Help your child to find sponsors amongst family and friends. Sponsors can pay directly online at www.readforgood.org/sponsor or by cash - send into school by Friday 30th November.
- As the grand finale to this year's **Readathon**, we'll be joining other schools on **Friday 16th November** for a citywide **Drop Everything and Read** (DEAR). We'd love you to join in and welcome parents from 2:45pm onwards.

Please support your child's reading efforts. **Research consistently tells us that children who read for pleasure are more likely to have successful outcomes.** Reading has been proven to benefit both educational and emotional wellbeing outcomes. Above all, we hope they have fun!

Yours sincerely,

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Head teacher

