



Dear Families,

We have some exciting news! St Luke's is proud to be taking part in the National Read Aloud Challenge 2023, powered by Fonetti.

What is Fonetti?

Fonetti is an award-winning, speech recognition reading platform that helps children improve their fluency and confidence - without adult supervision! It has a huge library of books including fiction, non-fiction and poetry, suitable for all primary ages and abilities. The app can be downloaded with a 3 month free trial, using our personalised link below, which will cover the duration of the Read Aloud Challenge. 74% of children who use the app regularly have seen a significant improvement in their reading. The children read aloud their chosen text. When words are read correctly they turn green but if not, they can double tap for audible clues. This means that your child is able to practise their reading independently, whilst developing their accuracy and vocabulary.

The National Read Aloud Challenge

The National Read Aloud Challenge has been designed especially for children and utilises technology in a fun way. By signing up and reading regularly, it will help prevent reading regression over the summer break and will interrupt the 'Forgetting Curve', helping your child to stay engaged in reading - plus there are certificates and amazing prizes to be won! All that you need to do is set up a profile by accessing our school's personalised link or by scanning the QR code below. Your child can begin this exciting challenge right away and the challenge will end on the 31st August. Once you have signed your child up, you will receive weekly updates about their reading progress and emails of encouragement during the course of the challenge. You will also receive any certificates that your child achieves when they have hit certain milestones. As a school, the children will work together as a team during the challenge, to read as many books as possible. This will give St Luke's the chance to win a FREE London trip to an awards ceremony, which will be hosted by Clare Balding CBE, for two teachers and the top two performing pupils from our school.

We can't wait for your child to get stuck into some wonderful books this summer. Happy reading!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Lally English Lead

