

# Community Volunteer Readers

Our Community Readers initiative is a valuable way of enriching children's learning while strengthening the partnership between school and the wider community. By welcoming volunteers into school to read with pupils, we create meaningful opportunities to share a love of reading and support children's development.

For pupils, the benefits are clear. Reading regularly with an adult helps to build confidence, improve fluency, and develop comprehension skills. It also provides valuable one-to-one time, allowing children to feel supported, encouraged, and motivated in their reading journey. Importantly, it helps foster a lifelong enjoyment of books and storytelling.

Community Readers also bring diversity and real-world connections into the classroom. Children benefit from interacting with different adults, hearing varied voices and experiences, and seeing that reading is valued beyond the school environment.

For the community, this initiative offers a chance to play an active role in supporting young people's education. It builds stronger relationships between school and community members, creating a shared sense of purpose and pride in helping children succeed.

Ultimately, our Community Readers programme is about more than reading—it is about connection, confidence, and cultivating a love of learning that extends beyond the classroom.