

# Reading newsletter

## A Month of Reading

During the whole month of May we will be celebrating Reading. The calendar is on the reverse of this newsletter so that you can participate during the holidays. We want the children at West Acton to be adventurous, confident readers who develop a lifelong love of reading. Why not add your own ideas at home too?



## Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Just following half-term and leading on from our month of Reading in May, we're all going to spend a lively, colourful, fun day in pyjamas.

Parents will be invited to join us at 2.45pm.  
(No need to for parents to wear PJs!)



We are running a **Readathon Sponsored Read** starting **Monday 13th May to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June (ending on Pyjamarama day!)** and we'd like your child to join in.

**Readathon** is the UK's national sponsored reading event for schools. The money raised helps the charity **Readathon** to give brand new books and storyteller visits to children's hospitals across the UK. For more information, check out your child's sponsorship card and visit [www.readathon.org](http://www.readathon.org).

**Readathon** encourages children to read for pleasure - an activity proven to increase children's chances of success and personal happiness throughout their lives. (Source: OECD). **Readathon** motivates reluctant readers to give reading a go, and keen readers to read more widely. It works because children choose what they want to read – they are not being assessed, it's all about reading for fun. We would like you to support them, in particular by sponsoring them.



## Ealing Council

### Joining Ealing Libraries

All members of your family can join the library in Acton or in Ealing Broadway (once it has been refurbished and moved to its new location).

Membership forms are available at:

[https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201219/libraries/2393/join\\_a\\_library](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201219/libraries/2393/join_a_library)

- Children aged 10 and under may borrow up to 10 items
- Children aged 11 to 15 & adults may borrow up to 15 items

## Inter-generational Reading project



A group of children will be visiting some of our neighbours in a care home. The children will talk to the residents and read with them.

*'Better psychological outcomes were found, including reduced anxiety and an improved sense of self-worth. The intergenerational programmes ... also promoted better family relationships. In addition, classroom behaviours were improved among children'* (Source: LSE)

Finally, don't forget that our **school library** is open every morning from 8.40-8.55am for children, parents and carers – come in, relax and enjoy a book!