Celebration of books focus for the end of term

Alison and Kayleigh Creative painting area.

Nicola Writing and Book Area

Jeanette Sensory area outdoors

Jeanette C in the outdoors

Going to the Volcano Angela in water/wet sand area

The Firebird Amie in the workshop area

Catherine in the recycling area.
Importance of sharing books with your child

1. Reading to young children sets them up to succeed
   The more you read to your children, the more knowledge they absorb, and knowledge is important in all aspects of life. There have many studies that show reading to babies and toddlers gives them a head start and helps to prepare them for school later down the line. After all, reading with your children gives them the skills needed for when they start to read themselves.

2. Reading is important to develop language skills
   While you may speak with your children every day, the vocabulary you use is often limited and repetitive. Reading books ensures that your child is exposed to vocabulary on different topics, which means they hear words or phrases which they may not hear otherwise in their day to day lives.

3. Exposure to reading exercises your child’s brain
   Reading to young children affects their brain activity and may just give them that boost they need to support and promote their early reading skills.

4. Reading enhances a child’s concentration
   While you may think it is useless reading to a toddler who wants to constantly turn pages, swap books, or throw them around altogether, reading with your little one is extremely important at this age.

5. Reading together encourages a thirst for knowledge
   Reading to your children leads to questions about the book and the information within. It gives you a chance to speak about what is happening and use this as a learning experience. It may also develop an interest in different cultures or languages. There is nothing better seeing a child who loves to learn.

6. Reading together helps to create a bond
   There’s nothing better than cuddling up to your little one and reading a book or a bedtime story together. Spending time with one another, reading, and talking, can bring parents closer to your children.