

EAL 1:1 Reading Club

On a weekly basis the Learning Team supports a specialised reading Club led by EAL pupils for EAL pupils, from a variety of year groups. It's a fantastic provision that is continuing to grow; enabling focused 1:1 reading to take place during a Monday form time for boys and a Friday for girls, within the LRC.

The designated lead (student) reader will support their fellow peer, to choose an appropriate book to their level, to then read this in its entirety. By engaging with a provision such as these reading sessions, it helps to better confidence, pronunciation of words and comprehension of text.

Once a book is read, together, they will complete a Reading Review Sheet which asks for personal feedback, as well as retrieving details about the different characters and what happened in the story. These feedback sheets will prove particularly useful in the future, so that others can refer to them and decide whether it is a good book for them.

Here are some comments from those students already involved:

"I think the reading club is useful, because it helps me to understand what words mean and has helped me to spell better and pronounce words with my partner. My confidence has increased so much that I have also moved up a group in English."

Armina Baguskaite – Lead Reader (Year 8)

"By coming to the reading club it has helped with my speaking in English and spellings. My teachers say I'm doing really well and I like to think I always try my best."

Karolina Jakaite (Year 8)

"By being a lead reader I have seen my partner progress in different aspects of his English, which makes me feel proud. I have seen him make new friends too, which is a great thing. For me, I feel happy as my confidence has increased, as I now feel I can make difference by helping others"

Meshal Albeshr - Lead Reader (Year 10)

"By going to the Reading Club, it has helped me to learn new words and understand what these mean. I feel that my reading is better, because my lead reader has given me confidence"

Lucas Fernandes – (Year 7)

If you would like to be considered as an EAL lead reader, or would like support with your reading and think these 1:1 reading sessions will help you, then please speak to Mr Rogers in the LRC or another member of the Academies Learning Team. Thank you.



Lead reader Grace and Gabriella (both Year 7)



Original EAL Reading Club members, Karolina and Armina (both Year 8)



Lead reader, Meshal (Year 10), supporting Lucas (Year 7)