

Reading at Half Acres Primary Academy

Key priorities for our curriculum:

- The development of word reading through high quality phonics provision and systematic teaching of spellings
- Deepening children's understanding of the meaning and structure of a wide range of text types and stories including the use of reciprocal reading strategies in Key Stage 2
- Encouraging children to read widely and for enjoyment including home reading
- Progressively building on discussion of key texts and stories, both in class and for a wider audience
- Exploring the work of a wide range of authors through whole class books which are linked to half termly writing plans
- Through linked texts, reading is an integral part of our history, geography and science curriculum.

In order to provide a wide diet our children have access to a range of reading scheme materials. These include:

- Rigby Star
- Rigby Navigator
- Collins Big Cats
- Project X
- Ginn Lighthouse
- PMs.

Home reading books are predominantly Oxford Reading Tree and a range of book banded real books in Key Stage 1. Children are also encouraged to enjoy books from our libraries both in school and at home.

At Key Stage 2 children have access to the above schemes plus a variety of fiction and non-fiction books. Children are encouraged to make selections of both library books and home readers whenever possible.