

RE: 'Brooke's Half Term Reading Challenge'

Dear Parents/Carers,

Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who don't, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. In fact, reading for pleasure is more likely to determine whether a child does well at school than their social or economic background.

With this in mind, we would like all the children from Year 1 – Year 6 to take part in 'Brooke's Half Term Reading Challenge'. The aim of the challenge is to keep the children reading over the October half term.

Each child will receive a sheet with various reading challenges on that they need to complete over the holidays. Once a child has completed a challenge, an adult must sign the challenge to show that it has been completed. We would love to see some photos of your child completing these challenges. If you would like to share some of your photos, please send them to br-admin@vennacademy.org

Children who complete all the challenges will receive a small prize and a certificate. Their name will then be entered into a prize draw to win a mystery prize.

The children should return their completed challenge sheets by **Wednesday 2nd November**. The winners will be announced in the first celebration assembly back.

We hope that you will support us in encouraging your children to take part in the challenge.

Regards,

Miss Hennigan

(English Lead)

