



Sharing a Book at Home



We hope that you
have enjoyed the book
that your child chose to share at home.

Please help us
by returning the book to school
each Monday.

Thank you.



Garretts Green Nursery School



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Dear Parents,

At Garretts Green Nursery School we aim to develop a love of books for enjoyment and for learning.

Children at a very young age enjoy looking at pictures and hearing stories long before they are able to read the words. They like to hear repeated phrases and sounds that capture their interest.

Looking at print also captures their attention and they enjoy looking at and talking about how print appears on the page.




The purpose of sharing a book at home is to develop a love of books that will last a lifetime. It is not expected that children will read the words of the book they choose to bring home.

We hope that sharing a book will be a 'family time', a time that is relaxed and fun for both the adult and the child.

On the next page there are a few ideas for sharing a book that will appeal to your child.




Please do not hesitate to speak to any member of staff if you would like additional information.

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Ideas for Parents




- Look at the illustrations with your child and talk about what you see. Encourage your child to predict what may happen in the story.
- Talk about the parts of a book using the correct vocabulary. We use the following words in school:
 - cover
 - title
 - illustrator
 - print
 - blurb
 - setting
 - page
 - author
 - illustrations
 - spine
 - characters
 -
- Remember to ask questions about, 'who', 'when', 'where', 'what', 'why', 'how'
- Look at the print and draw attention to bold print or where the print becomes larger or smaller. Talk about what this means.
- Use silly voices or change your voice for different characters.
- Take turns to tell the story.
- Read the story, stopping to ask your child to fill in missing words or phrases.
- Focus on repeated phrases, such as, 'Run, run as fast as you can.' or 'We can't go over it, we can't go through it', etc.
- Above all, enjoy the stories that are chosen, relax and have fun with your child.

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