

Woodfield School and Library Partnership.

Woodfield Community School and Bilton and Woodfield Community Library have entered a ground breaking partnership which could lead to huge benefits to the children, the local community and the library.

The children from Woodfield Community Primary School have accepted a 6 month reading challenge set by the Bilton and Woodfield Community Library.

The children have been set the challenge to complete up to 12 books, this is extra to their own school reading scheme, before the end of the school year, July. The children can read, listen to or to have them read to them as bed time stories.

As the children reach each of 3 targets they will be rewarded with a certificate and a free book.

The reward would be for;

- reading 4 books completes the Bronze certificate and will be rewarded with a certificate and a book for the child.
- reading 8 books a Silver level certificate and 2 extra books for the child.
- reading 12 books will be the Gold certificate and 3 extra books for the child.

The books used as a rewards have been purchased from funds the library received as part of the Co op Community Fund. The Steering Committee felt this was another way of including the wider community in benefitting from the receipt of this grant and encouraging the community to access the library.

The Challenge has been launched this week before half term and included a special bedtime story session at the school in which school staff and library volunteers took part.

Aims of the Reading Challenge:

- Introduce children to new authors and genre. Encourage children to read for enjoyment and develop their language skills.
- To show that enjoyment of reading comes in many forms.
- To give children pride in their reading success.
- To raise awareness of the library, its site and what it can offer the community.
- Increase library membership from within the Woodfield School Community including the parents.
- Develop closer ties between school and the library.