

8 simple tips to support reading at home



1. **Make sure reading is a daily habit**

If it's part of a daily routine your child will look forward to it and build up their 'reading mileage', as the more you read, the better you'll get!

2. **Read in front of your child**

It doesn't matter what you read – if you're a keen reader your child will catch your enthusiasm.

3. **Create a reading space**

Pick a comfy spot with good light and room for a book or two.

4. **Join Jersey Library**

Explore new books and authors and take advantage of the activities the library offers.

5. **Allow your child to choose their book**

As well as reading the books provided by school, encourage your child to choose from a selection of different reading materials. This could be a comic, a poem, a recipe.

6. **Find reading moments throughout the day**

Younger children love to read signs and labels whilst shopping or walking, and around the house.

7. **Re-read favourite stories**

This gives children the opportunity to join in at favourite parts, develop new vocabulary and feel like a reader from an early age.

8. **Talk about books**

When your child or young person is reading independently, take the time to talk with them about their book. Questions about the character, the plot and favourite parts will show them you are interested in their reading, even when they no longer need a lot of help.