

Reading at St Bart's

Reading at St. Bart's is at the heart of the curriculum.

Key Stage 1 children take part in daily phonics sessions. These sessions teach children sounds of letters. Where needed phonic sessions are also taught in Key Stage 2.

We are one of the very few schools that still listen to every child read every day during morning readers!

Alongside their individual reading book children complete questions about what they have read.

Classes also have story time timetabled where the class read a novel together.

We teach high frequency words from Reception to Year 6.

We allow time during the week for children to read a book of their choice from class bookshelves and encourage them to complete Book Reviews when finished.

All children are taught the different question types, such as prediction and fact retrieval within comprehension lessons.

Throughout Key Stage 2 the question types are displayed with explanations.

Each year we have a World Book Week where children take part in a variety of activities. These activities include: visiting the library; designing their own World Book Day T-shirt competition; listening to a story teller; writing with a famous author and dressing up as a character from their favourite book.

To support parents with helping their children to enjoy reading at home the school provides a course called, 'Story Sacks'. During the course parents look at a book and create fun activities and props to go alongside reading the story. They design the sack for the book; make puppets and much more to bring the story alive for their children.