

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Chalford Hill Primary School is taking part in Read for Good's Readathon, a wonderful and time-tested way of motivating children to read for pleasure. Pupils choose whatever they like to read - from comics to classics, and audio books to blogs - and the money they raise in sponsorship helps to provide books for schools, as well a regular supply of brand new books and storyteller visits to our local major children's hospital and hospitals all over the UK. Plus, our school will receive 20% of the money raised to buy books - it's amazing! As you know, exciting changes have been happening to our library and some new books will help to update it even further.

You can sponsor your child online at <https://readathon.secure.force.com/sponsor> and find out more about how the money raised helps children in hospital at <https://readforgood.org/helping-kids-in-hospital/our-hospital-programme/>. Readathon is all about students having fun and reading on their own terms, in their own time. Please encourage your child to choose whatever they feel like reading - not just books - newspapers, magazines, audio books, or read a book together - it all counts! Children in Reception class may choose to read, share or listen to stories - sharing stories with children is a wonderful way to promote reading for pleasure. Readathon's children's page features fun games, videos and other activities to inspire them.

It is now well known that children and young people who choose to read for pleasure regularly are more likely to succeed in all areas of life and recent research carried out by the National Literacy Trust has shown that children who participate in Readathon are more likely to read widely, use the library more and think that reading is cool - what more could we want?!

Many thanks for your support,

Mrs Bradshaw