



25th January 2018



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Re: Calling all Volunteers to be “Reading Partners”

As part of our continued efforts to raise the standards of literacy in our school, we are hoping to encourage family members who would like to volunteer in the school as a “Reading Partner”, listening to and supporting children with their reading. Reading is such an important skill for children and we are keen to do all we can to make sure that all our children leave our school and enter secondary school as confident readers.

Reading regularly to an adult has been shown to significantly increase the rate of progress that children can make with their reading. Over the years The Godolphin Junior Academy Reading volunteers have made a huge difference for a large number of children. We are hoping that there would be some parents/grandparents/carers/aunties/uncles who would enjoy coming into school in the afternoons to listen to some children read.

Typically, you would work one-to-one with two or three children: spending 10 minutes with each child talking about the book they’re reading and listening to them read. You would work with the same children each week: getting to know them and watching them progress. Ideally you would be able to come in twice a week, but once a week would be fine too. In due course we will advise you on when we will be holding an initial training session for volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please complete the slip below and return it to me via the school reception. If you would like some further information before volunteering, please pop into the school or give us a call. I look forward to hearing from you.

This work has a fantastic impact on children’s confidence with reading and really makes a difference to their attainment across the curriculum. A reading partner will be placed in a different class from their child/children. This may be within the same or another year group. If you would like to become a Reading Partner please fill in the reply slip below. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Ann Probert
Executive Principal

I am interested in volunteering as a Reading Partner at the school. I can offer my support on the following days and times:

Day	Times

Name:.....Contact number.....

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