

*'There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on treasure island',  
Walt Disney.*

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would firstly like to thank you for all your help and support with reading this year. It has been lovely to see how much enjoyment the pupils' are getting from reading. Over the summer holiday, it would be great if you could support us with the following reading challenges that the pupils can take part in. The first is the Gade Valley spectacular summer reading challenge- this year our theme is 'Nature Reading'. The library are also doing there summer reading challenge: Ready, Set, Read! The pupils have had a special assembly, where the librarians from Hemel Hempstead Library came in to tell them all about the challenge.

Below is the information for both the reading challenges. It would be great to have as many entries as possible.

### **Gade Valley's Nature Reading**

Our spectacular summer reading competition is back! During the summer holiday, we would like you to take part in this fun competition! You will need to take a photograph reading in nature. You could be in the woods, climbing a tree, reading in grass, surrounded by flowers, or even reading with wildlife! Photographs will be used in a whole school display and there will be prizes for the best entries!

Please bring in ONE photo with your full name and year group by **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023** if you would like to take part.



### **Hertfordshire Libraries Reading Challenge - Ready, Set, Read!**

Libraries across Hertfordshire have organised this year's Summer Reading Challenge called 'Ready, Set, Read!'.

The national initiative aims to keep children reading throughout the summer holidays. You can start today and the competition runs until Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. The children will receive stickers and a reward for every book they read and on completion of the challenge, they will receive a personalised certificate, medal, and gift! For more details, please visit

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Best of luck and remember...keep reading!

Miss Kavanagh