



10<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Storytime Selfie Challenge

At Redlands we are firm believers that reading is one of the most important life skills you can possess, this is a view shared by all Schools in our Trust. We also believe that the more opportunities children have to share books the greater their love of reading will become; this will help the children to become confident readers with a love of reading.

To help us to continue to develop a love of reading across the Trust we will be attempting to get all children who attend DSAT schools to share a story with someone over the same weekend. This year's theme is 'Find a book to share and read it anywhere'.

We would like to challenge children to share a book with a grown up in an interesting place and tweet the picture. Photographs can be tweeted to **@DSATLiteracy** or tweeted to **@SilebyRedlands** accounts **#storytimeselfie**. Alternatively, you could send a picture in to school where we will make a whole school display. If you don't want to take a photo this is also fine because we understand how engaging the stories can be and it may be hard to drag yourself away from the story to grab a camera/ phone.

If you are Tweeting photos, please can we only Tweet from an adult's account.

Our storytime selfie challenge will be on the weekend commencing Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January.

If you would like to see all of the other storytime selfies please follow **@DSATLiteracy**

To launch this event, the children will be involved in a Key Stage assembly where we will tweet the first storytime selfie. DSAT will be awarding prizes to the children who can take a storytime selfie in the most imaginative place. Oxford University Press are kindly supporting the event this year and the prizes they are donating are as follows:

- 1 KS1 book for each of the schools which participate as a prize.
- 1 KS2 book for each of the schools which participate as a prize.
- A top prize of a years **free** subscription to the new online independent reading service – Oxford Reading Buddy. This prize allows children access to online books, allocates them a reading buddy – who gives children tips of how to answer questions, gives reports on childrens progress and moves the children up when they're ready. This resource would usely cost into the high hundred pounds. For more information please visit <https://www.oxfordreadingbuddy.com/uk> .

Thanks for your continued support.

Kind Regards

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