

Ready, Set, Read! Summer Reading Challenge 2023 in Inspire Nottinghamshire libraries this summer

Presented by [The Reading Agency](#) and delivered in partnership with libraries since 1999, the Summer Reading Challenge is the UK's biggest annual reading promotion for children aged 4 to 11. Last year, in Nottinghamshire, over 9,400 children took part.

The Summer Reading Challenge combines **FREE** access to books with fun, creative activities during the summer holidays. This year's challenge has a sports and games theme and has been developed in collaboration with the [Youth Sport Trust](#).

How the Challenge works

- Children sign up at their local library for FREE and receive a Ready, Set, Read! collectors wallet.
- Children borrow and read at least six library books, of their choice, during the summer - collecting stickers and other incentives along the way.
- Library staff and volunteers are on hand to talk to children about the books they have read.
- Children who complete the Summer Reading Challenge are presented with a certificate and medal.



An online challenge with digital rewards is available on the official Challenge website alongside author videos, games and more: www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

How do schools benefit?

- The Summer Reading Challenge is inclusive and can contribute to the achievement of all pupils.
- It enhances and supports the mission for all children to read more widely and for pleasure.
- It prevents the tendency for children's reading to dip over the holidays
- It encourages parental engagement and family involvement in reading.
- It allows children to become more independent in their reading.
- It takes place at your local library and is a brilliant opportunity for extra-curricular activity.

School resources

We love for you to promote the challenge to your pupils. Resources are available to assist. These can be found at www.inspireculture.org.uk/ReadySetReadResources and include; a poster, suggested text for newsletters/websites, web graphics and a video introduction to the challenge, suitable for showing in the classroom and for sending home to parents. Plus details of two virtual assemblies we are hosting in July.

Need more information? For more information please contact Carolyn and Chris below

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