



## Summer Reading Challenge 2024, Marvellous Makers in Inspire Nottinghamshire libraries this summer

Presented by [The Reading Agency](https://www.readingagency.co.uk/) and delivered by libraries since 1999, the Summer Reading Challenge is the UK's biggest reading for pleasure programme for children aged 4 to 11. Last year, in Nottinghamshire, over 10,000 children took part.

The Summer Reading Challenge combines **FREE** access to books with fun, creative activities during the summer holidays and is perfect way to support your pupils' learning during the holidays, ensuring they return ready for a great start to the new academic year.

### How the Challenge works

- Children sign up at their local library for FREE and receive a collector's poster.
- 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 receive 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](https://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)

### How do schools benefit?

The Summer Reading challenge

- Improves reading confidence and independence
- Ensures pupils are reading for their return to school, preventing the summer reading 'dip'.
- Encourages extra-curricular activity - encouraging family engagement with reading.
- Enhances and supports the mission for all children to read more widely and for pleasure.

### 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/MarvellousMakersResources](https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/MarvellousMakersResources) 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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