

#### Ballyclare Nursery School Big Bedtime Read



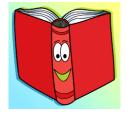
#### Book Pack Borrowing Guidelines

Thank you for using our bedtime story packs to read with your child!

Here are a few things to remember so that everyone in Nursery can share and enjoy the packs:

- We will send you an 'app' notification on a Monday to remind you to choose a pack with your child at home time
  - We will send you an 'app' notification again on a Thursday to remind you to return your pack on the Friday (ready again for a new pack the following Monday)
- Please do not take a new book pack until you have returned one.

  There are only enough packs for 1 per child in each class
- Please show your child how to look after the books by handling them with care
- If any book becomes damaged or is lost then please tell us as soon as possible so we can replace it ready for the next child who borrows the pack
- It is up to you to choose which pack you take every week. If your child has a particular favourite then feel free to borrow the same pack again!







## We are delighted to be launching this year's



# "Big Bedtime Read" initiative!

### What is "Big Bedtime Read?"

"Big Bedtime Read" focuses on developing parents' understanding of the importance of reading to young children, building not only a love of language and foundation for future learning, but also strengthening bonds between parent and child.

At nursery we invest a lot of time in developing a love of stories, and rhymes and on introducing children to a range of topics in information books. Staff skilfully develop children's concept of print throughout the day incorporating text into different areas of learning.

While many parents already read to their children every night, enjoying that special time at the end of a busy day, other families do not have this as part of their bedtime routine. Through Big Bedtime Read, it is hoped that all parents can recognise how sharing a book together in a relaxed and enjoyable way lays the foundations for a life-long love of reading. As parent and child snuggle up together and enjoy exploring other worlds in the pages of book, they share thoughts and emotions, communicating with each other in special way. We know that children love familiar routine, and building in this special time together towards the end of a busy day is immensely valuable.

We will be starting to send book packs home on the 4<sup>th</sup> November! Please read the information overleaf as to how this will be organised.

PYJAMA DAY
FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> October!
Your child will be given their own book to keep to
celebrate the launch on Pyjama Day!

We hope you enjoy taking part in the "Big Bedtime Read" with your child!

As part of our promotion of books and reading we will be having a "Scholastic Book Fair" in school during the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Further information will follow!

Thank you