

Ellingham Primary School Summer Reading Challenge

At Ellingham, we always encourage children to take part in the library Summer Reading Challenge and this year is no different! Here is some information below about what it involves:

The Summer Reading Challenge, delivered in partnership with public libraries, is an annual event aimed at 4 – 11 year olds. Children are encouraged to read any books of their choice during the summer holidays (we recommend at least six) with collectable incentives and rewards, plus a certificate for every child who completes the Challenge.

The theme for the 2020 Challenge is "Silly Squad" – a celebration of funny books, happiness and laughter, featuring bespoke artwork from award-winning children's author and illustrator, Laura Ellen Anderson.

The Silly Squad book collection comprises a selection of must-have reads for children aged 4-11, providing a wealth of inspiration for young readers choosing books for this year's Summer Reading Challenge and beyond. Every title in the collection has been specially picked by children, librarians and industry experts to reflect the funny theme, with plenty of choices and genres to entertain readers at all stages.

There are two lists - one for younger children (aged 4–7) and one for more confident readers (aged 8–11) - representing the best in contemporary children's fiction, non-fiction, picture books and graphic novels. Many of the books in the collection are brand new titles, which will be published in 2020.

The books will be available in e-book formats that can be downloaded for free via various library e-lending platforms.

To take part in the Reading Challenge, head to sillysquad.org.uk to create your own profile.

- 1.) **Decide how many books you are going to read over the summer - choose books that will make you happy and enjoy reading.**
- 2.) **Each time you finish a book, add it to your profile on the website and write a review. There will be incentives and games along the way on the website for you to complete.**
- 3.) **Once you have completed the challenge, you will be given a certificate from the library website!**

We will be celebrating everyone who completes the Summer Reading Challenge when we return in September. We are looking forward to seeing how many books you can read over the holidays!

