

Pitmaston Reading Diaries for 2026 – 27



This week, children will have brought home their new reading diary. It is important to help your child record how many nights that they have been reading throughout the year, as we endeavour to promote a love of reading. They will receive certificates at the following milestones **each term**; 30 nights & 60 nights of reading. Our very own Reading Ambassadors designed the certificates.



Children who have achieved 60 nights of reading towards the end of each term, will be invited to wear home clothes to school and receive 'golden time' (extra play time) as a special reward – dates to be confirmed. If they manage to achieve **180 nights of reading by the end of the year**, they will be invited to an additional special reward with Mrs Wilcock to celebrate their hard work and commitment to reading – this was very popular last year!

We have set the 'cut-off' dates ahead of time, so that you know when children must have read 60 nights by. We then will restart counting the nights for the term ahead:

	Beginning Date	Cut-off Date
Term 1	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026	Friday 11 th December 2026
Term 2	Monday 14 th December 2026	Friday 19 th March 2027
Term 3	Monday 22 nd March 2027	Friday 9 th July 2027



In order to keep track of nights read, **please support your child with writing the number of nights they are currently on in the 'Date' column like this:**



Date	Book title and page number	Parent/Teacher/Pupil Comments
① 7/1/20		
② 8/1/20		
③ 9/1/20		

The class teacher or teaching assistant will check the diaries fortnightly. When your child has completed their first reading diary, they will be given another one to continue with recording how many nights they have reached. All staff are looking forward to hearing about all the fantastic books that will be read this year. Don't forget, books can be brought in from home, borrowed from our school library, borrowed from the book corners or St John's Library and The Hive.

Please aim to read with your child as much as you can (we recommend that children read at least 5 nights per week) and encourage them to explore a range of books. For lots of tips about how to effectively read with your child, visit the reading section on our school website.

HAPPY READING!

Miss Wakelam, Mrs B Watson & Mrs Wilcock

