5th July 2024



Dear Parent/Carer

Re: School Library and Summer Lending

We love reading at Smestow Academy and want to encourage all our pupils to read as much as they can over the summer holidays. Reading for pleasure is an important part of your child's learning and development, exposure to a wide range of vocabulary in different contexts helps develop their learning in all subject areas.

During term time all pupils are expected to read for 20 minutes every day. We would encourage pupils to continue this valuable reading habit during the school holidays too.

Therefore, we are inviting pupils to borrow library books during the school holidays. We are limiting this to no more than 2 per pupil. If you would like your child to borrow books over the summer, please complete the Borrower Agreement and Permission to Borrow Form sent via Weduc.

We are also fortunate to have a wonderful network of public libraries across Wolverhampton, with central Library in the town centre. We would encourage everyone to join the public library where you can access thousands of books for free.

Information on finding your nearest library and joining the library can be found by visiting Wolverhampton Central Library, your local library branch or online at https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/libraries. Anyone can join Wolverhampton Libraries to get access to computers and books from Central Library and local libraries across the city and it's completely free of charge. They also run activities and summer reading challenges.

If you have any queries, please contact school by calling 01902 539500 or email postbox@smestowacademy.co.uk including your child's name and form group in the subject.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer full of adventures whether in real life or through a book.

Yours faithfully

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