

Join the FREE Summer Reading Challenge at Your Local Library!

We're excited to invite your child to take part in this year's <u>Summer Reading Challenge</u> – completely FREE at your local library – Blairgowrie Library!

What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge is a fun, free way for children aged 4–11 to stay motivated to read during the summer holidays. Children set their own reading goal and can read anything they enjoy – **all books count!**

Why should my child sign up?

One in four children hasn't reached the expected level of reading by the age of 11 and many will struggle to keep up at secondary school, despite reading for pleasure being one of the single biggest indicators of children's development.

The Summer Reading Challenge provides:

- Amazing way to **boost confidence** and **self-esteem**.
- They will be better **prepared to return to school** in the autumn.
- The Challenge supports the move into a new year group.
- The library provides free access to books and fun family activities all through the summer.

Your child will be part of a UK-wide programme developed by <u>The Reading Agency</u> and delivered in partnership with the <u>public library network</u>.

"We've joined the reading challenge for the past 4 years and every year it has inspired and encouraged a deeper joy for reading. For a young dyslexic boy the challenge helps make reading fun." Parent/carer of 6–7-year-old boy

How can my child take part? (Library or online)

At the library:

- Set a summer reading goal and choose from books, eBooks, or audiobooks
- Receive a **special sticker booklet** and collect rewards for reading

Or online:

- Visit <u>summerreadingchallenge.org.uk</u>
- Sign up, set a reading goal, and get book recommendations
- Unlock digital badges and earn a printable certificate

When does it start?

• In Scotland and online: 21 June

Don't miss out - head to your local library and sign up this summer!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Blairgowrie Library on 01250 871305 or email: blairgowrielibrary@culturepk.org.uk