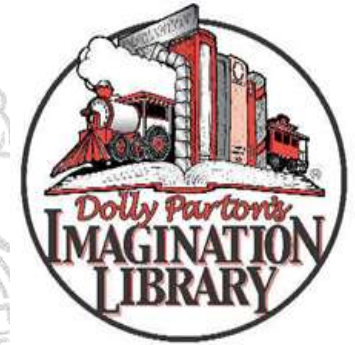




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Doncaster's Journey: Moving Towards Sustainability and Resilience.

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Early Years**

DONCASTER GROWING TOGETHER

Prospectus 2017

Our moment to shine



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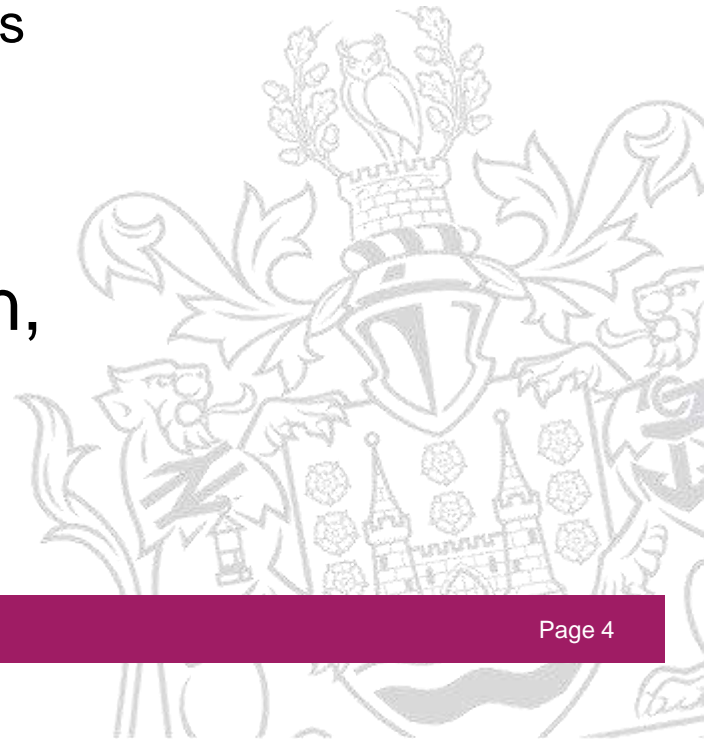


Our vision is for learning that prepares all children, young people and adults for a life that is fulfilling.



Why the Imagination Library?

- Outcomes in Speech, Language and Communication, and in Reading
- Dolly wanted:
 - good books sent by the Post Office to the home of the newborn to 5 year old participants every month
- She ***especially*** wanted this programme to be for ***all*** children, regardless of income.



Take up

12,204 children are currently registered - with 3676 having graduated already!

Age Range	June 2016	June 2017	May 2018
0-1 years	1046	1403	1820
1-2 years	1137	2440	2553
2-3 years	1053	2424	2660
3-4 years	1027	2219	2624
4-5 years	711	2350	2547
TOTAL	4974	10,836	12,204
% TAKE UP	26.5%	65.5%	69.5%

What are You Trying to Achieve?



What is the use of a book, thought Alice, without pictures or conversations”

Lewis Carroll



Inspiring a love of reading...



Creating and inspiring readers and a lover of books is a job for us all that begins at birth

“Approaches that help every child to engage with and develop a love of reading are as important as teaching phonics and comprehension”

**A strategy to get England’s children reading
2016**



"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents."



Doncaster TALK Book Sharing Messages

Children need to talk a long time before they learn to read, sharing a book is a great way to help your child

***“Book Chatter, Book Play,
Where will your book take you today?”***

Take time out to explore and talk together about the pictures and the story in your home language

Anyplace, anytime, again and again! (always keep a book in your bag!)

Listen to your child, let them lead and tell you the story!

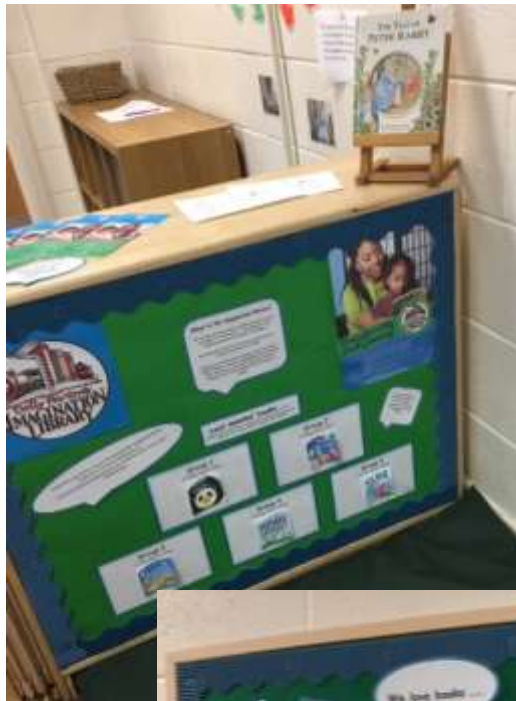
Keep it fun! Keep on sharing!

Fun Events to Engage Families

- Book Chatter sessions
- Bedtime Any time!!...
- Chatter Box Challenge
- Book Picnics / Booknics
- World book Day 1/3/18
- Doncaster Book Awards
- National Bookstart Week
- And Many More...



Displays to share information and book ideas



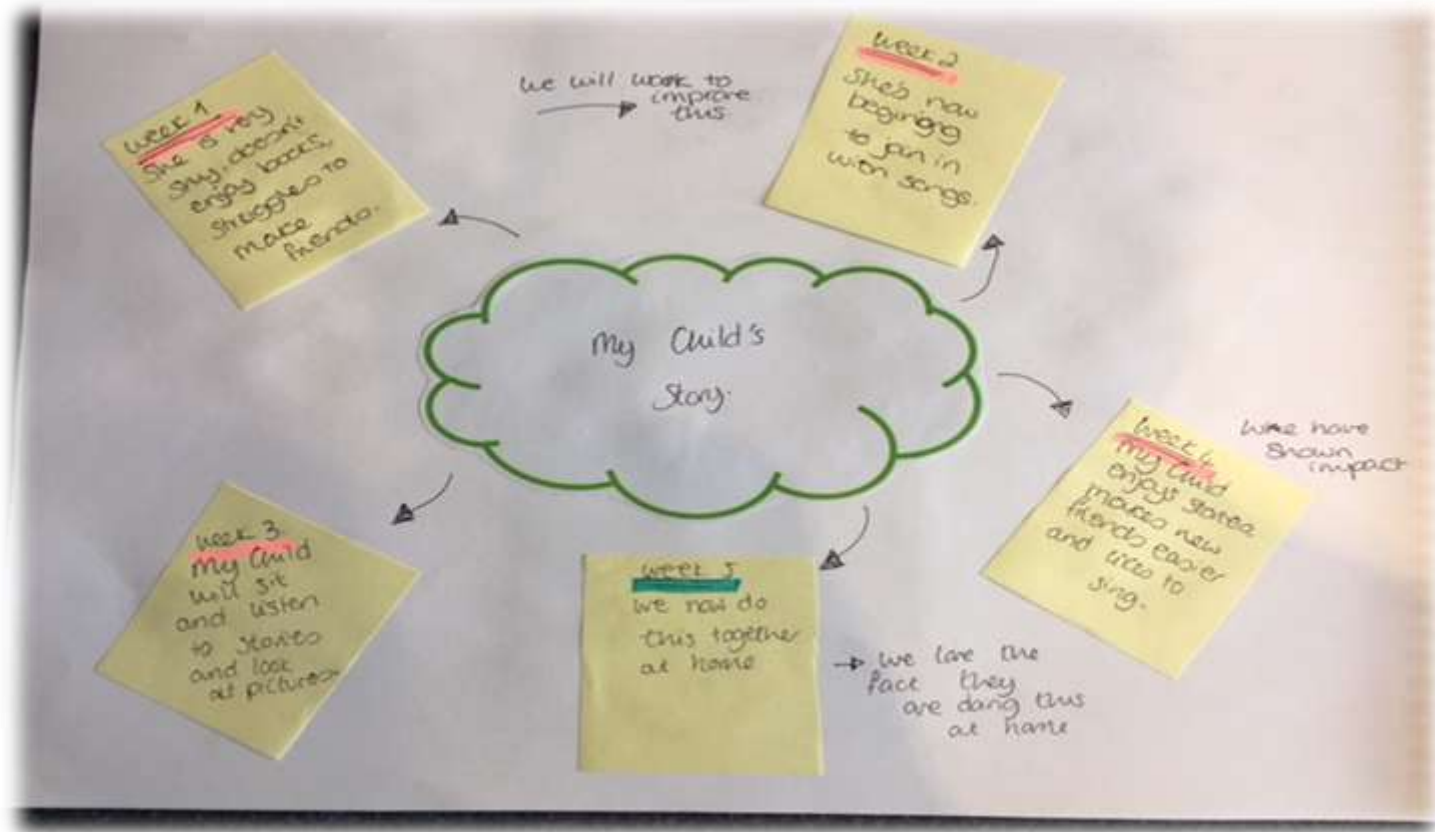
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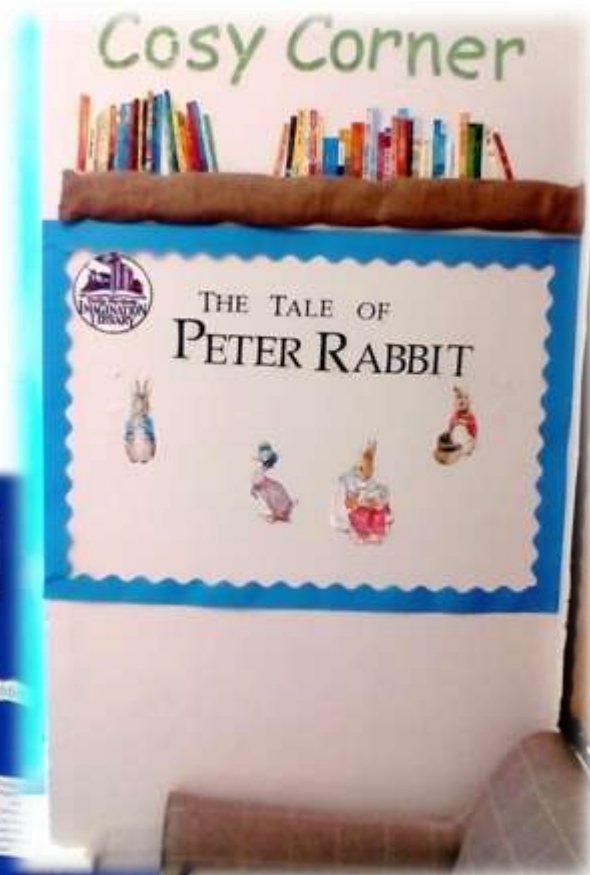
Bentley Family Hub



Family Hubs using Imagination Library Books at 'Let's tell a story' sessions- Parental Feedback



Buttons Day Nursery



Library Service

What does your local library offer?



Imagination Library



Crookesbroom Primary Academy

Imagination Library Reading Mornings



Why we decided to do it!

- To develop a love of stories and reading within our Early Years setting
- To promote early language and extend vocabulary
- To support parents in using books as a tool for enjoyment, sharing quality time, being inspired by stories, rather than seeing books as a 'thing to be done' or a 'race to the finish.'
- Modelling ways to 'look deeper' into a book
- Find out about our parents reading experiences and habits
- Inspire 'book-less' households that the actual reading of a book is fundamentally the least important part of reading!



What a session looks like...

- 10 min 'book chat' with parents and explanation of the activities
- Give parents a task to think about whilst completing the activities
- Explain which aspect of 'early reading' I am going to model
- Work with the children on the story – reading it all, looking at a page and using observation and prediction, relating to real life
- Explain activities to the children (as a prompt to parents)
- Off we go!!



The reading morning is needed in every school it help us parents find new ways at home to help our children learn with fun and how there all growing up learning new words and new skill with the activities.... and how well behaved they can actually be 😂..

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The boring assessment and school stuff...

- We started last year (May 2017) in F1
- More children are predicted to get ELG in Reading than ever before (65%) with 8 children (all who's parents attended IL mornings) predicted exceeding in Reading
- In current F1, 85% of children are on track for ARE in Reading (more than ever before!)
- Reading areas are being used more frequently during children's free choice time in both F1 and F2
- F2 have started Reading Mornings in their classroom too

Not bad going for one little rabbit 😊



WE LOVE THEM ALL
BUT THE BEST ONE IS
THE CREEPY CRAWLY

CATERPILLAR

WE READ IT AGAIN AND AGAIN AND I THINK
WE WILL KEEP DO IT FOR A LONG TIME
AS WE LOVE BUTTERFLYS.

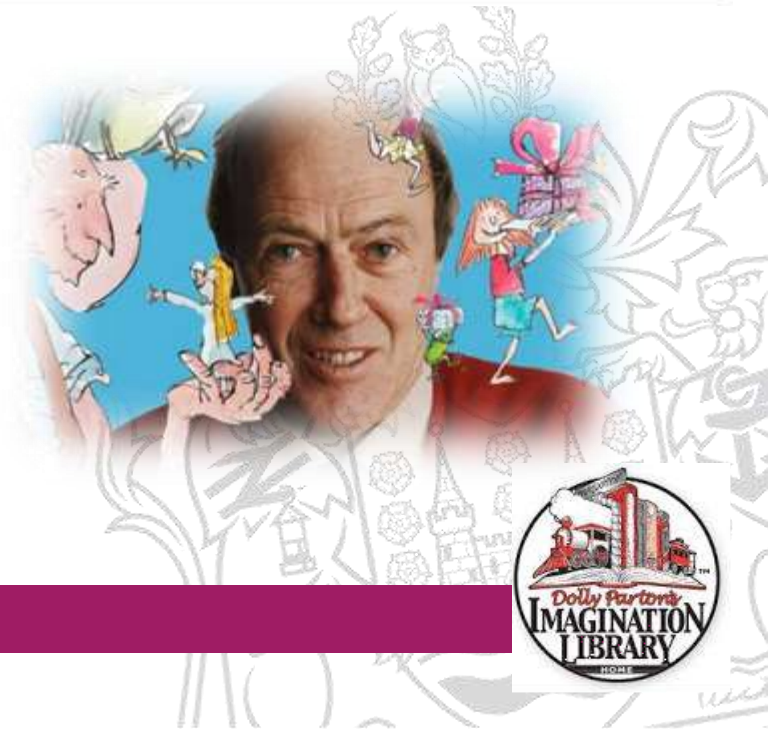
WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY
THANKS FOR ALL THE
STORIES YOU SENT
US.

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Lukewarm is no good!

I BEGAN TO REALIZE HOW IMPORTANT IT WAS TO BE AN ENTHUSIAST IN LIFE. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SOMETHING, NO MATTER WHAT IT IS, GO AT IT FULL SPEED. EMBRACE IT WITH BOTH ARMS, HUG IT, LOVE IT AND ABOVE ALL BECOME PASSIONATE ABOUT IT. LUKEWARM IS NO GOOD.

-Roald Dahl



Inspiring a love of books & reading



The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you'll go.
-- Dr. Seuss