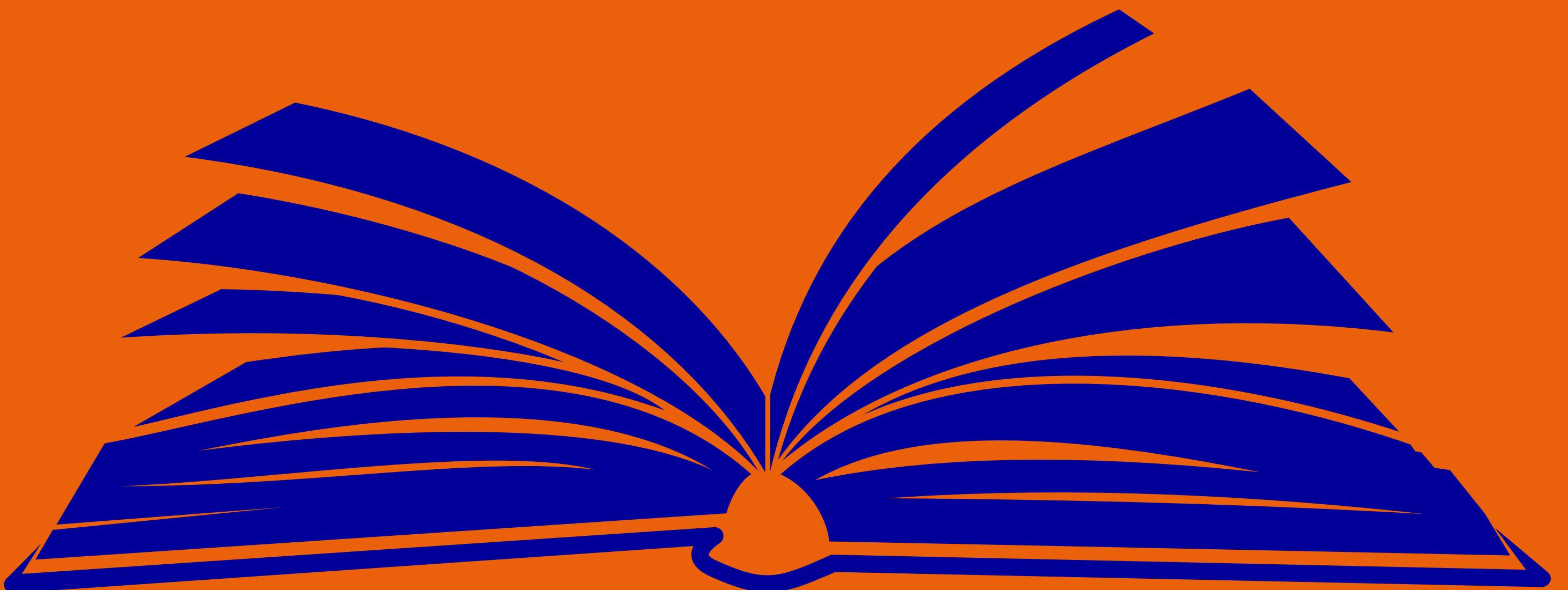
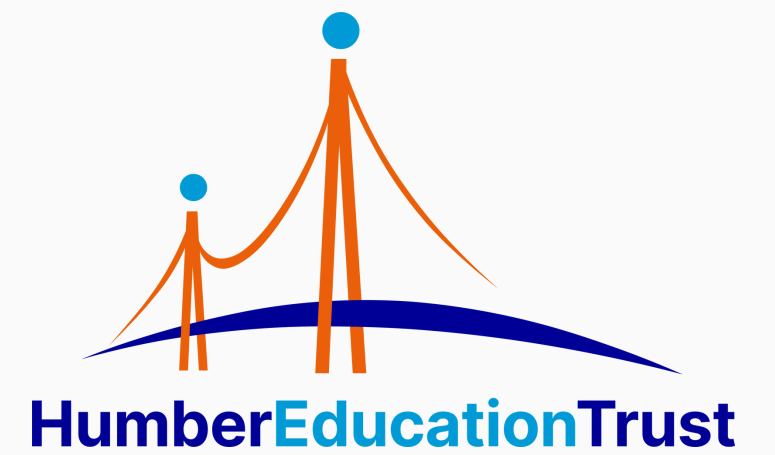


HumberEducationTrust

NATIONAL YEAR OF READING



2026 IS THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING!



A Year of Reading, A Lifetime of Possibilities

As a Trust, we recognise the important role we all play in teaching children and young people how to read. Promoting a love of reading is something we all do well. Being able to read fluently enables our pupils to access the wider curriculum and gives them greater life chances.

As this is the national year of reading, we are launching a year-long celebration of the great things all seventeen of our schools do to promote reading. We will highlight upcoming events and each month we will showcase the great work one or two of our schools are doing to foster a love of reading, to cultivate reading habits and to inspire readers.



JANUARY - A LOVE OF READING

Featuring Bude Park Primary School

Books & Biscuits

Every Friday, we dedicate time to read and talk about books. Our Reading Ambassadors support these sessions. We know that setting aside regular time to read helps to build reading habits. We believe book talk is a secret weapon when it comes to nurturing reading for pleasure - it turns books into something more than just ink on paper!



Bude's Big 30

Sometimes called the "Top 30", our list of recommended reads for each year group offers genres, formats and themes suited to every year group, so that every reader can find something interesting. This gives our children a shared experience - they can read common titles and discuss them with peers, building a sense of community.

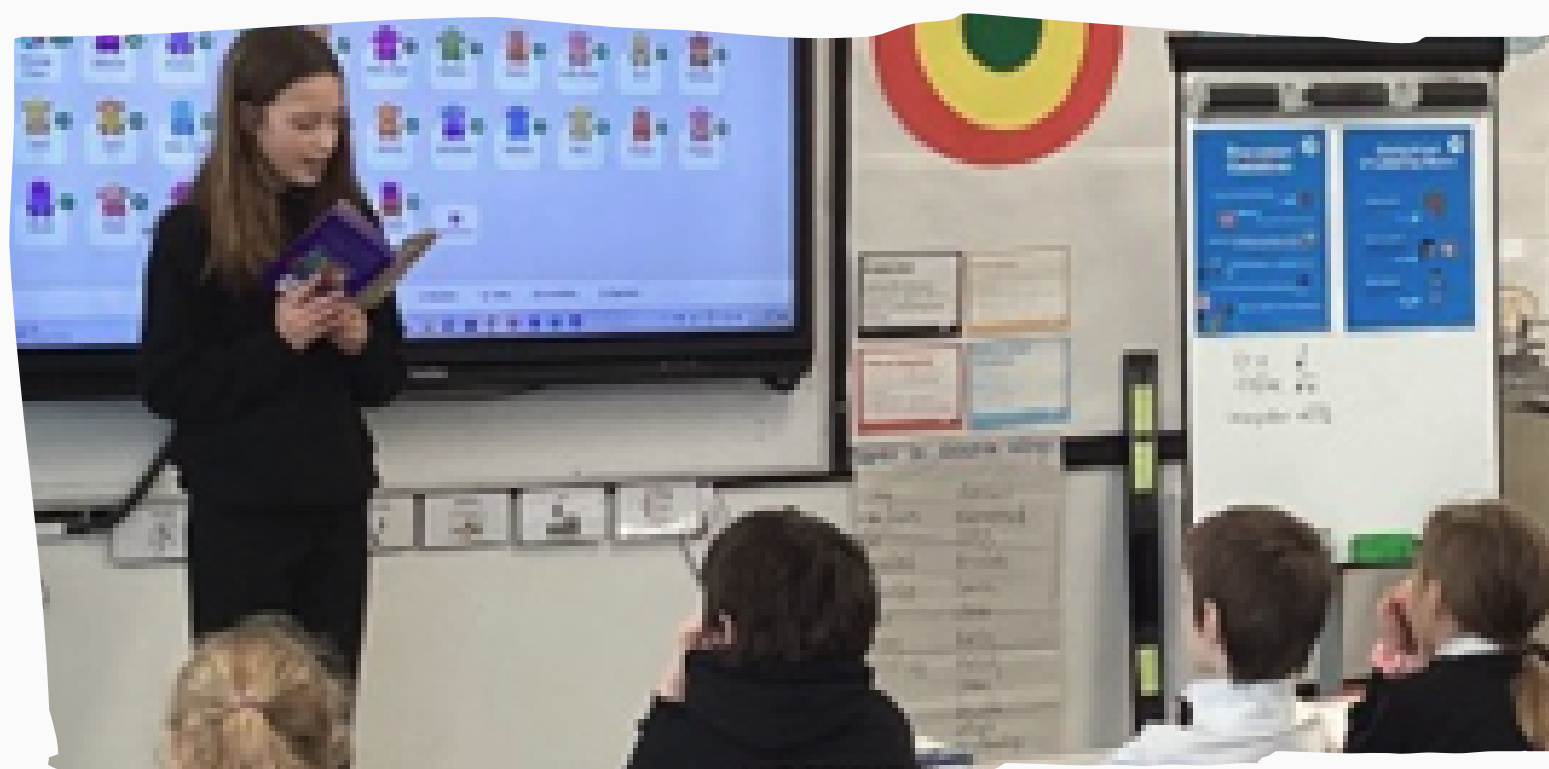


Playtime Book Dips

Every break time, our Reading Ambassadors take a book barrow or 'book dip' onto the playground. This makes reading accessible at all times - it invites children to see books as part of their everyday life, not just something tucked away in classrooms.

Bingo Challenge

Every term, each child is challenged to complete a reading bingo card for their year group. This supports our children to engage with books and adds an element of surprise and variety to their book choices - each box is a gateway to a new world!



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Our Library

Our school library is new and ever evolving. It contains a wealth of wonderful books and is a sanctuary where reading is an adventure! We hold a weekly library club - all are welcome!



Reading Ambassadors

Our Reading Ambassadors are like book cheerleaders! They inspire and normalise the joy of being positive reading role models, organising and supporting reading events, making book recommendations and reading with peers and younger children.



Daily Story Time

Dedicated daily story time in all classes makes books part of the rhythm of our day - our children and adults alike look forward to this sacred part of the day!



Reading Café

Inviting parents to our reading café is our way of opening the doors of our school's reading world! It bridges the gap between home and school, turning reading into a shared, joyful experience across generations - Nanas and Granddads are welcome too!

Reading Events

We celebrate a number of events in the reading calendar in our quest to promote reading for pleasure, such as author events, National Poetry Day and World Book Day. One thing that we pride ourselves on is that these events are never about costumes or gimmicks - they are always about books and a joy of reading.



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IDEAS TO ENCOURAGE STORY TELLING

Book Vending Machine

Each week, a 'reader of the week' is chosen from each class to receive a token for our book vending machine. The children are always very excited to spend their token and the vending machine takes pride of place in the hall, so that it can be a feature in our weekly assemblies.



Stay & Read Sessions

We work hard to build our reading community by hosting 'stay and read' sessions. When families, carers, or community members are welcomed into the reading spaces, it transforms the experience into something warm, shared and meaningful.

I Am Currently Reading ...

'I am currently reading' posters on staff doors are like subtle declarations that reading matters - and that it's for everyone, not just the children. When children see teachers and staff openly sharing what they're reading, it reinforces that reading is a lifelong habit - not just a school subject.

