



16th October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are getting ready for this year's Readathon event and your child has volunteered to participate in the Thamesmead Readathon. The aim of the event is to promote literacy and reading for pleasure and to raise money for the school.

Students attended an assembly this week to brief them on the day.

Thamesmead Readathon takes place over two days, Wednesday 23rd Oct for Years 7 & 10 and Thursday 24th Oct for Years 8 & 9. The Year 11 students will be split between the two days.

- Venue – Jubilee Centre.
- Time – 8.45am to 2.30pm.
- Dress – Mufti (the school dress code for mufti days apply).
- Reading devices – Books (including graphic novels), Tablets, Kindles (no magazines, comics, newspapers). Audio books are only allowed for students with specific permission.
- Phones as always are not permitted.
- Students must bring their sponsor forms to the Readathon so their participation can be verified.

Students need to ensure that they catch up on their work. They will have normal break and lunch times so do not have to bring special packed lunches. If your child would like to bring a cushion, pillow or bean bag to make the day more comfortable they are welcome (blankets and sleeping bags are not allowed), it is their responsibility to look after them.

Sponsorship forms were handed out in assembly and additional forms are available from the Learning Centre. Students can be sponsored either per page they read or the amount of time they spend reading. All money needs to be brought to the Learning Centre Office by Monday 11th November along with their sponsor forms or alternatively you can pay online through our School Cash Office (there are two options one for 'gift aid' and one without).

There are copies of the sponsorship form and assembly slides on the school's website <https://www.thamesmead.surrey.sch.uk/readathon-2019/>. If you have any questions regarding the Readathon, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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