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Pupil Voice – Reading

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In November 2022, we gained the views of pupils with a focus on reading. Two pupils from each class from Year 1-Year 6 (*one boy and one girl*) were invited to share their views. The responses, analysis and areas for development can be viewed below.

Year 1RD

Who is your favourite author?

1. *I haven't got one.*
2. *Have forgotten their names.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *A reading book and a class library book.*
2. *I take my reading book in my book bag and a class library book.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes.*
2. *Yes, we read Blue Penguin yesterday.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, we just have to listen. My teacher does funny voices.*
2. *Yep, we don't have to do anything or say anything.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes.*
2. *Yes*



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Year 1B

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Jill Murphy, I like Peace at Last.*
2. *Helen Cooper is my favourite – Pumpkin Soup.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *A Witchy one and a library book.*
2. *My reading book and a class library book.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes, obviously all of the time.*
2. *Yes, Mrs Hanby reads to us too.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, I like all the different stories.*
2. *Yes, but it takes a long time when I want to go home.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes, I like rhyming poems.*
2. *Probably.*

Year 2C

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Julia Donaldson, they are my favourite books.*
2. *Steve Antony, because the Queen has lots of adventures.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *Yes, library books are just for your Mum to read to you and reading books that you read yourself.*
2. *I have a reading book and a class library book.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes, when it is bedtime.*
2. *Yes.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, sometimes it makes me laugh.*
2. *Yes, with lots of different books with lots of different adventures.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes.*
2. *Yes.*



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Year 3H

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Julia Donaldson, she makes good books because they are so imaginative.*
2. *Roald Dahl, because the books are really adventurous.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *I take grey books.*
2. *I take brown books home.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes, when we have time before play time.*
2. *Yes, before bedtime. We are reading *The Owl Who is Afraid of the Dark*.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, I like to think what happens next.*
2. *Yes, I like being able to relax.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes, I like James Carter, his poems are very flowy.*
2. *Yes.*

Year 4T

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Jeff Kinney – *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*.*
2. *J.K Rowling, I like *Harry Potter*.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *Reading books, I like mystery books. I pick my own.*
2. *Reading books. I like to pick factual books because they tell you how things work and what they do.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes at the end of the day for 5 or 10 minutes a day. Usually 3 o'clock. We have a class reading book.*
2. *Yes, each topic we have, we have a book that represents it.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, it gives the opportunity to read different books. We have a big bookcase for reading for pleasure. My teacher has good expression when she reads for the different punctuation.*
2. *Yes, Miss Thompson has a clear loud voice. I like that there are different options to choose from.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *It's not my favourite category of reading, it can be confusing.*
2. *Sometimes.*



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Year 4G

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Roald Dahl and David Walliams.*
2. *David Walliams is my favourite. My favourite book is the Ice Monster, like how he made it.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *Reading books - interesting ones.*
2. *Reading books, I like thick ones. I'm on emerald.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes. When we did the topic about Egypt, we read a book about Ancient Egypt.*
2. *Sometimes, books are linked to our topic.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, I like listening to other people read.*
2. *Yes, my teacher does silly voices.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Kind of, but I'm not a big fan.*
2. *Yes, we have written our own too.*

Year 5S

Who is your favourite author?

1. *J.K Rowling, I like Dork Diaries.*
2. *Jeff Kinney – Diary of a Wimpy Kid.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *Reading books, I choose my own. I like to pick factual books.*
2. *I like big thick books, they are more interesting.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes, we have a class reading book.*
2. *Yes. We are reading Space Case.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, the books are interesting. Especially in guided reading when you get to do reading activities.*
2. *Yes, I like picturing the book in my head whilst we are reading it.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes, I don't like it as much though because there's no storyline.*
2. *Not really, I don't really like how it's random. It doesn't have a proper theme.*



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Year 6M

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Rick Riordan, I like the Percy Jackson books.*
2. *Liz Pichon*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *I don't take any home.*
2. *I took Tom Palmer books in Year 5, but I don't take any now.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes, the book was a really good book. It was There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom. My teacher does the actions too.*
2. *Oh yes. He does the voices and impersonates the character. He really emphasises the character.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes, we have a short time at the end of the day.*
2. *Oh yes!*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes, kind of. When you read poetry, there are things you don't understand and want to find out more about.*
2. *Oh yes. I like them because storybooks are usually mysterious and in poetry its usually more realistic.*

Year 6Mc

Who is your favourite author?

1. *Jeff Kinney and Liz Pichon.*
2. *J.K Rowling.*

What books do you take home from school?

1. *I don't take any home.*
2. *I don't take any home.*

Does your teacher read aloud to you?

1. *Yes. When we do guided reading.*
2. *Yes. He reads the Hobbit now and again.*

Do you enjoy story time?

1. *Yes.*
2. *Yes.*

Do you enjoy reading poetry?

1. *Yes. I really like it.*
2. *Yes. I like it because of the rhyming words.*



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Analysis

89% of pupils could identify and name their favourite author

94% of pupils said that their teacher read aloud to them

6% of pupils said that their teacher sometimes read aloud to them

100% of pupils said that they enjoyed story time

72% of pupils said that they enjoyed reading poetry

28% of pupils were unsure or said that they sometimes enjoy reading poetry.

Areas for development

1. Look for opportunities to share poetry during times when staff teams read aloud for pleasure.
2. Review class library areas to ensure a range of poetry is included.