

# Reading at Durrington High School



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# Reading is Crucial to Success and Wellbeing for Young People

- There is a clear link between students who read regularly and students who have successful outcomes at school.
- Successful outcomes at school will lead to better opportunities in adult life.
- Reading for pleasure allows young people to participate in society with confidence and respect.
- Being part of a positive reading culture is fun!



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- **We encourage reading as much as possible in the school day and beyond.**
- **Students will read as part of lessons**
  - Reading in this context is likely to be increasingly sophisticated and subject specific
  - This will be supported by the classroom teacher and other members of staff where appropriate.



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## DEAR: Drop Everything and Read

- **Students will read twice a week with their company tutor as part of Period 1.**
- **This is to develop a culture of ‘reading for pleasure’.**
- **It also helps tutor groups to develop their relationships and identity.**
  - Reading aloud
  - 18 novels by the time they get to Year 10
  - Covers a range of topics and issues
  - Independent reading with support from their tutor and company leader.



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## LRA

- All students have access to a fully-stocked LRA with two highly-skilled and knowledgeable librarians.
- The LRA is open before school, during both breaks and after school.
- Year 7 students also enjoy an additional timetabled 1 hour per fortnight in the LRA.



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# How You Can Help:

**Parents and carers can make a huge difference to their child's success...**

- **It is crucial that all students are encouraged to read at home, preferably daily.**
- **Although reading anything will have an enormous benefit, choosing books that provide the correct level of challenge will be most advantageous. School staff can support with this.**
- **Talking to your child about what they are reading is essential...**



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