



Queen Eleanor's Church of England Junior School
An Academy in the Good Shepherd Trust*
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"A caring, supportive community, grounded in a Christian ethos, where children are inspired to explore their potential and develop skills for life."

Head Teacher: Jo Davies

21st November 2022

Dear Parents/carers,

Queen Eleanor's run a parent volunteer programme called 'Reading Champions'. This programme is designed to give children the opportunity to further develop their reading skills.

We always aim to ensure that your experience of working with us is an enjoyable one and that you feel part of our school. We know that your time is valuable and we want to make sure your sessions with us are as productive as possible. Therefore, we are holding a Reading Champions Volunteer Workshop which will include training on delivering the Reading Champions programme, expectations of the role, safeguarding and school policies. You will then be allocated particular children to work with and will be able to follow them through the school year and share in the progress that they make. Reading Champions will usually be placed in a different class from their child. We would ask that Reading Champions are able to commit to at least one hour per week and can help in school for at least one full term.

In order to become a reading champion, schools within the Good Sheperd Trust now require volunteers to complete a short application form (these are available from the office), provide two references and a DBS. References do not need to be from previous employers; for example, they could be from an upstanding member of the community such as a vicar, Iman or volunteer organisation leader.

The next workshop for parents/ carers who would like to become a part of this programme will be held in **6W on Tuesday 10th January 2023 at 3.30pm**. If you would be interested in attending and becoming a 'Reading champion', please confirm your attendance by emailing the office. You can collect the application and reference forms from the office at your convenience. These can be handed back to the school office before or on the date of the workshop.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Walton and Miss Watkins