

29<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Principal,

The EA Literacy Service is pleased to announce the launch of the second edition the Literacy Newsletter. The content of the newsletter is aimed at all parents and children who at some point in their school career, may experience difficulties in literacy. It is interactive and engaging and will appeal to all age groups.

This issue focuses on reading and contains lots of useful, practical ideas and resources for children and young people to use at home. It also contains details as to how the newsletter can be read to the parent and/or child using assistive technology (Texthelp Read & Write and Immersive Reader). It is available for all your pupils and parents to access from home.

Please click on the link below and explore the second edition of this interactive resource for Northern Ireland pupils, parents and schools:

<https://sway.office.com/IOWgF2uVh2jGguBv?ref=Link>

The link needs to be copied and pasted into the Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge browser.

Our Literacy Service Newsletter is developed to foster a closer working partnership with schools, parents and children to promote and improve literacy. We also value contributions of children's work showing their super skills, comments and stories, which we may include in future issues, with parental consent.

We are extending the invite to help us name the newsletter, allowing your pupils to take ownership of this new and exciting project. Please send your pupil's newsletter name suggestions and any pieces of work you would like us to include in future editions FAO Newsletter Team to:

[EALiteracyservicemailbox@eani.org.uk](mailto:EALiteracyservicemailbox@eani.org.uk)

We ask that you please send the attached parent letter providing details on how to access the newsletter. Please also feel free to share the link to our newsletter with parents and school community via your own school social media platforms. It is intended to be an important support from the Literacy Service for pupils, parents and school at this time of remote learning.

The next edition and those thereafter will be shared in the scheduled batch communication via C2K.

Thank you for your partnership in this exciting project.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Janet McCann'.

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