



Enjoy your 'Big Bedtime Read' Bag

It is never too early to begin 'Reading' with your child. The early years are critical to the development of a life-long love for books. Bedtime stories are an enjoyable and fun way of encouraging your child's speech and language development and emerging Literacy skills.

With this in mind - here are a few tips to help you and your little one get the most out of your 'Big Bedtime Read' bag.

- Read a bedtime story every night.
- Get cosy and comfortable. Snuggle close and begin your story.
- Try reading in different voices for the different characters in the story.
- Talk about the pictures and interesting words and objects.
- All of this helps your child's vocabulary to grow.
- Keep it fun and relaxed 😊
- Get excited about story time.

When your child knows that the bedtime story is one of your favourite times of the day - he/she will be excited too.

Bookbags

Initially, the children will choose one book.

Your child will be given their book bag on a **Wednesday**.

Return the following **Monday** morning.

There are two baskets. Each has the name of your child's teacher on it. Pop your bookbag in there.

Please show your child how to look after the books by handling them with care.

If any book becomes damaged or is lost, then please tell us as soon as possible so we can replace it ready for the next child who borrows the pack.

Unfortunately - if you do not return the book bag on a Monday morning - your child will not be able to get a book bag on the Wednesday.

