



# LITERACY

Reading regularly is not just important for your child to do well in English, but vital for them to succeed throughout their schooling and is a key life skill.

Did you know that you can access free books online with the Northumberland Library Service – a lot of our students have already signed up for this.



## Spotlight on Reading Fluency

At Ashington Academy we are putting a real focus on Reading Fluency. Across our curriculum we are identifying opportunities for our students to develop their confidence in speaking aloud to their peers.

**FLUENT READERS**  
PAY ATTENTION TO...

**ACCURACY**

- READ THE WORDS CORRECTLY!

**EXPRESSION**

- READ SMOOTHLY, NOT LIKE A ROBOT!
- CHANGE YOUR VOICE TO MATCH THE PUNCTUATION.
- READ LIKE AN ACTOR SHARING A STORY WITH THE AUDIENCE.

**PACE**

- READ AT A NATURAL SPEED.
- NOT TOO FAST OR TOO SLOW!

**PUNCTUATION**

- CHANGE YOUR VOICE TO MATCH THE PUNCTUATION.
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- CHANGE YOUR VOICE TO MATCH THE PUNCTUATION?

**COMPREHENSION**

- CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING WHILE YOU READ.

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Students have now been issued with logins. They can now access books online without worrying about signing up to a library service – it will all be done for them!


Please see the link on our academy website for details.



In each newsletter we will either bring you an example of a Numeracy equation which your child may be asked to solve in class and explain how to arrive at the correct answer OR we will introduce a Mathematical idea to you.

This week we would like to introduce you to Sparx Maths – a new website for homework:

Maths classes across year 7 to 10 are now using the website Sparx Maths for homework. This website adapts to students' strengths and weakness giving a personalised set of questions which will maximise progress. Students should login into their account weekly and complete the work set. If stuck, students should contact their teacher before the deadline for help. If there are any issues with logging in at home, students can go to homework club after school. These are held on a Tuesday, Thursday and Friday after school.

Bookwork code: C20 

How many people's favourite fruit was an orange?

Favourite fruit

Fruit	Number of people
Orange	
Kiwi	
Peach	
Other	

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Support video

This tally chart shows the results from a survey about people's favourite fruits. How many people chose each fruit?

Favourite fruit

Fruit	Number of people
Apple	
Kiwi	
Peach	
Other	

How many people chose each fruit?

Apple: 5  
Kiwi: 2  
Peach: 3  
Other: 4

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