

13th July 2026

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you so much for all your help and support with reading this year. It has been fantastic to see how much enjoyment the pupils are getting from reading. Over the summer holiday, there are a couple of exciting competitions running which we would love the pupils to take part in.

Gade Valley's Random Reading Challenge

Our amazing annual reading competition is back! This year the pupils are challenged to read somewhere that is completely Random! This can be in any place, with anything! You will need to take a photograph of them reading in their random place. Photographs will be used in a whole school display and there will be prizes for the best entries! Everyone who enters will be given a certificate during our whole school sharing assembly.



Please bring in ONE photo with your full name and year group on the back by Monday 7th September 2026 if you would like to take part.

Read to the Beat : Library Reading Challenge

Hertfordshire libraries are running a reading competition over the summer and you can sign up for free at your local library. The children can collect stickers after reading books, and if they read six books, they will receive a personalised certificate and a medal. They will also be entered into a competition to win a ticket to a book-themed musical workshop with Gareth P Jones, an award-winning author. This challenge finishes on Saturday 5th September.



Have a fantastic summer and keep reading!

Miss Kavanagh