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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our drive to put books and reading at the heart of Reignhead we would like you to encourage your child to take part in the national Reading Agency's **Summer Reading Challenge**.

Research has shown that children's reading can dip during the summer holidays if they don't have regular access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure. The Reading Agency's Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the summer break and inspires over three quarters of a million children to visit libraries and helps them maintain and develop their reading skills and cultivate a lifelong love of reading for pleasure.

This year the Reading Agency and Sheffield Libraries are presenting Mischief Makers Summer Reading Challenge celebrating the 80th anniversary of the much-loved comic Beano. Children taking part in the Challenge this year will follow clues to explore their colourful collector's map of Beanotown; meeting Dennis, Gnasher and friends along the way. As children read library books, they will collect special stickers to help them find the mysterious buried treasure.

Babies and children from birth to the age of 11 years of age can sign up to take part in Mischief Makers Summer Reading Challenge 2018 at any library in Sheffield; it's FREE to take part. All they need to do is read at least six books of their choice during the summer holidays, collecting special stickers and incentives along the way. Once they have read six books they will be awarded with a certificate and medal. There will be a special certificate for babies and children under four.

There will also be a host of activities on offer at your local library during the summer for children of all ages.

Today, your child will be coming home with a special bookmark invitation to complete the challenge. We're really looking forward to seeing all the medals and certificates and celebrating all the children who've successfully taken part in the Summer Reading Challenge at a special awards ceremony at Reignhead in September.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Dunn
English Lead

