

We are using Fiction Express!

Dear Parent/Carer

Reading on a regular basis is not given the importance it deserves; yet it is key for acquiring good study habits. Studies show that students who have more books at home and read on a regular basis have better school results. During the school closure for children in Key Stage 2 (Y3-6), we have been given access to Fiction Express to get pupils excited about reading.

Fiction Express has been designed to improve poor reading habits by getting children excited about reading through the power of engagement and *gamification*.

Stories are published weekly. Students read the chapter and at the end, they are rewarded with the option to vote to decide what happens next. The author then writes it in real time. They can also interact on the online book forum with other students worldwide and build the story together in a safe online environment.

Your child's teacher has created personal login details, which allows them to access all the books in the platform, more than 100 so far. You can access the platform from any device: computer, tablet or mobile phones. These details will be sent out via text message from school.

We recommend that you log in together with your child, take a look through the website and read along some of the stories with them. Together you will enjoy reading much more with Fiction Express!

Start exploring at fictionexpress.co.uk/login and happy reading!

You can find more information about the methodology overleaf.

Fiction Express is an innovative book platform that connects students with professional authors, encouraging reading for pleasure through fun co-creation of stories.

Every half-term, three books are published on our website in weekly chapters. What happens next is entirely up to the readers. Using their vote, they are able to decide where the plot goes next. Then the author will bring the most popular choice to life.



Supporting family learning

- Using our Fiction Express methodology, you will **gain access to 18 new books** every year, as well as our backlist of almost 100 books.
- Parents and children will **read the chapters** at home **together** and discuss which way the story will go.
- You will see how students vote, the **results of** their reading quizzes, and their **participation** in the forum.
- **Real-time tracking:** Teachers **measure** student attainment over the year, both at home and in the classroom.
- It is **compatible** with any mobile **device**, tablet, or desktop, and it includes features which encourage **reluctant readers**.

More information: fictionexpress.co.uk

A new way to enjoy reading

1 READ the chapter

Three books for reading ages 6+, 8+ and 10+ released each half-term in weekly chapter instalments to be read online, offline or on paper.

2 VOTE on the plot

Co-creation starts here. Thousands of students vote each week to decide what happens next and participate individually or as a whole class.

3 ANSWER the quiz

Each Fiction Express chapter is linked to an online comprehension quiz. Immediate results are given to students and shown on the teacher's dashboard.

4 TALK to the author

Through the book forum, students have live conversations with the authors and share their ideas and thoughts about the book with them.

5 ENJOY the activities

Additional resources mapped to the UK curriculum included with each chapter to enhance learning outcomes.

6 MEASURE the impact

Progress is made evident through the teacher dashboard showing individual student's reading, voting and comprehension question results.