

# Harewood C of E Primary School

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## “Educating for Life In All Its Fullness”

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### KS2 Reading Champions Competition for Leeds School Librarian Award 2022

Dear parents,

We are inviting pupils in key stage 2 to take part in the Leeds School Libraries Award 2022. They are searching for the best young reading ambassadors in Leeds, KS2 children who advocate reading for pleasure and encourage others to find their own love of reading.

**Each school is invited to enter ONE pupil into the competition** and the five short-listed applicants will be invited to attend an awards ceremony at Leeds Central Library on Saturday 9th July, where the winner will be announced by Anna James and they will receive the trophy. The ceremony at midday, will be followed by a FREE event for families with the author who will be introducing their latest book.

In addition to the Leeds School Libraries Reading Champions Competition, we want to recruit some Harewood School Reading Ambassadors from pupils in key stage 2. The ambassadors will help to promote reading in our school, become library monitors and be involved in events and activities to promote reading in our school throughout the year. All children who apply for the Leeds Libraries competition, will be considered for the role of Harewood School Reading Ambassador. They will find out if they have been selected before the end of the summer term, and they will begin their role in September. For pupils in year 6, their applications will only be considered for the Leeds Libraries Award, as they will of course no longer be attending the school in September.

To take part in the competition we are asking children to submit a short statement explaining why they like books and reading. This can be hand written or typed. Here are some suggestions about what you might want to include in your nomination statement:

- Why do you think reading is important?
- Tell us about a book you've enjoyed reading and why you would recommend it.
- How do you support reading in your school (do you help your friends choose books, do you like to talk about reading, are you a book corner monitor?)
- What do you think makes you a reading champion?

Members of the teaching staff will decide on the ONE child to be nominated for the Leeds Libraries Award and this will be submitted with a supporting statement from their class teacher. We will then decide on the children who will be our first Harewood Reading Ambassadors starting in September.

Applications need to be submitted to school by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May** at the latest.

We look forward to reading your applications and hearing about your passion for reading.

Kind regards

Mrs Burnley



