Reading Recovery Read Aloud in support of Read On Get On the campaign to get every child in the UK reading well

Read On Get On is the national campaign to get all our children reading well by the age of 11. Reading Recovery Read Aloud is an event in support of this campaign.

At present far too many children are leaving primary school without the key skill of being able to read - including 40% of all our poorest children. Our mission is to change this for good so that by 2025 all our children will start secondary school as confident readers. (See more at: http://www.readongeton.org.uk)

Being unable to read well at age 11 has direct consequences for children’s futures: they are more likely to struggle at secondary school, get fewer qualifications and find it harder to get a job or to progress in the workplace.

The Save the Children Report adds to strong evidence of the links between poor literacy, low pay and unemployment in the UK. An inability to read well can mean a life sentence of poverty.

**We must act now to change the life chances for our poorest children.**
This is why, along with other organisations, communities, parents and schools, business people and media organisations Reading Recovery at the Reading Recovery Europe is supporting Read On Get On.

It will take everyone, parents, grandparents, business, volunteers, teachers, celebrities and politicians to crack this problem once and for all. Everyone can do something - just ten minutes reading a day with a child makes a huge difference and helps them fall in love with reading.

**Reading Recovery Europe**

Reading Recovery Europe based at UCL Institute of Education is a not-for-profit organisation. We believe that all children should receive the support they need to become effective, efficient and enthusiastic readers and writers.

Reading Recovery (based at the International Literacy Centre) is a school-based literacy programme for the lowest achieving children aged five or six. Research shows that at more than four out of five children who take part in Reading Recovery go from being the lowest attaining in literacy in their class to catching up with their peers in less than 20 weeks. Children who completed a Reading Recovery programme at age six are shown to be still working at age appropriate levels of literacy in national assessments at age 11, five years after the end of the intervention. https://www.ucl.ac.uk/international-literacy/

Gains are maintained as recent research showed, when it was found that academic achievements in school Years 9 and 11 (age 14 and 16) were significantly improved as a result of the intervention.


We believe it is the right of every child to be literate. Literacy opens doors, breaks down barriers and reduces the chances of a lifetime of poverty. For some children access to literacy will only be achieved through special support such as Reading Recovery.

We want to celebrate the hard work of children and their teachers who have fought so hard to overcome literacy difficulties. This event will enable them to inspire others to achieve this dream. Reading Recovery is delighted to support the Read on Get on Campaign to work towards the goal of ensuring all children enjoy the benefits of literacy.