



Books take you to the stars
and beyond.



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NORTH ACADEMY

Reading helps you rise
above the ordinary.

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Regularly Experts Ambitious Diverse Supported

Regularly Successful individuals read every day, as reading improves life chances. At Higham Lane North Academy we will support your child in building excellent reading habits. There will be a wide range of opportunities to develop a love of reading including; national competitions, form time reading, extra curricular clubs and accelerated reading.

Experts Pupils at Higham Lane North Academy will be taught to read as subject experts, learning the skills required to read as scientists, historians, mathematicians and so on.

Ambitious All learners will be exposed to the best of what has been written. Our curriculum leaders choose ambitious and engaging texts that will help improve pupils' vocabulary; expand their knowledge and increase their life chances.

Diverse Our fully stocked library will be at the centre of the school, with so many engaging texts to choose from! Our resources and reading lists will expose pupils to a diverse range of texts from different genres, time periods and cultures.

Supported We are committed to supporting all pupils in their reading journey. Our expert teachers will support pupils by modelling a range of reading strategies to enhance fluency. Accelerated reading lessons will assess pupils and match books to their reading level to support and stretch them. For our less confident readers our reading mentor and intervention programmes will support them to improve their literacy skills, so that they read in line with their peers.

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Our Reading Pledge

Higham Lane North Academy is a reading school. Reading is the gateway to learning and is the key to success and wellbeing. At Higham Lane North Academy we support all learners to develop a love of reading and a reading age of at least 15.7 (as this is the level of reading needed for success in external examinations). Reading is a priority to prevent pupils from being disadvantaged compared to their peers.

Our pupils will be excellent readers because they will read for at least twenty minutes per day, reading from a variety of texts. The expertise of our library staff and our teachers who are passionate about reading, support pupils in choosing books that are enjoyable and that help them develop.

From the moment children step through our doors, we teach them to be confident, fluent readers through high quality world class teaching, a rigorous literacy programme and a wide range of extra curricular opportunities that ensures that by the time a child leaves our academy, they are star readers who are ready to take on the world!

