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Dear Parents/Carers,

We're pleased to let you know that our **Superhero Readers** programme is continuing at Newfield Park Primary Academy – and this year marks its fifth year!

Over the past five years, our volunteers have helped hundreds of children across the school to develop their reading fluency, comprehension and confidence. We're now looking for new volunteers to join the team.



Who can volunteer?

Anyone over the age of 18 who enjoys reading and wants to support children! We will complete enhanced DBS checks for all volunteers before you start. It might be parents who have a little spare time or grandparents who would like to know more about the school and what they can do to support!

How does it work?

Volunteers usually come in for part of a morning or afternoon and read with 3 to 5 children, depending on the time available and the age of the children. You'll be based in a quiet area—usually the library—where you can listen to children read and ask them questions about their book. Sessions typically last 15 to 30 minutes per child.

How much time do I need to give?

That's completely up to you. We ask for a regular weekly slot for at least one half-term, so we can build a consistent timetable for the children. Most current readers do one afternoon (for example 1pm-3pm) a week.

How can I get involved?

If you're interested, please click here to fill in a short Microsoft Form. I'll then be in contact to explain next steps (e.g. DBS) and to discuss what documentation we'll need!

Need more information?

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at troddison@nppa.shirelandcat.net or phone the school office and just ask for Mr. T. Roddison.

Thanks for your support.

Kind regards,

Tom Roddison **Assistant Principal**

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"My time coming to the school to listen to the children in the various classes gives me a real buzz. The atmosphere, the staff and of course the children make me feel so welcome. I look forward to my visits and I feel pride in the hope that my listening to the children reading and talking briefly to them helps build their reading fluency and confidence."

- Paul (Supehero Reader)

