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Dear Dads and Grandads,

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## **SUPPORTING READING IN SCHOOL**

Improving reading in school is something we are always working on and this academic year is no different. This year we have more volunteers in school than ever before which is great. They are listening to children read and helping practise their phonics sounds and key word recognition. Whilst we are delighted to have them with us, they are all women.

This year we are trying to reduce the gap between how well our boys achieve compared to our girls. I am writing to see if you have a little spare time each week and would consider coming into school to support some of our wonderful little chaps. We would offer you the training and you would be welcomed into our lovely school. We'd even make you a cuppa and find you a biscuit or two.

We want to inspire our children to become lifelong readers, to learn to read fluently and with understanding so they get pleasure from becoming immersed in a good book. Children copy what they see and hear; that's how they learn. If we could gather just a few dads and grandads to act as role models for some of our boys, I know we could make a real difference.

If you do have a little time and are interested, please get in touch with us – pop in, ring or e-mail me ([headteacher@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk)). We would carry out the necessary checks including an enhanced DBS check - for safeguarding reasons but this would be at no cost to you.

I really do look forward to hearing from you.

Jane Townsend  
Headteacher

