



# Cedarbank School

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Dear Parent/Carers,

We are pleased to announce that Cedarbank School will be running a Paired Reading programme for S3, assisted by volunteers from local community group, the Elderberries.

Paired Reading is a very effective, evidence-based method of helping children and young people progress in their reading and boost confidence. It was developed by Professor Keith Topping and is an ideal way of helping your child to become a more independent reader. Paired Reading works by building up the positives and focusing on successes in reading, rather than concentrating on mistakes.

The Paired Reading programme will be used alongside our usual curriculum. It is not intended to replace other English/literacy teaching but rather is incorporated into lessons to support pupils' literacy development and general confidence. It will take place during S3 English time on Thursdays and Fridays from January 17th 2019 onwards.

All volunteers are trained and PVG checked and Cedarbank School staff will be present. We look forward to welcoming the Elderberries to Cedarbank School and are excited to see how well this programme can work for our young people.

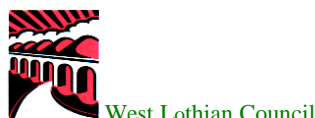
Please get in touch if you would like any more information regarding this exciting new programme.

Kind regards,

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