



Dear Parents,

Grinling Gibbon's children can now go online and get involved in this year's Summer Reading Scheme 2020:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

With the disruption caused by Covid-19 and the impact of social distancing on schools and public libraries, **the 2020 Challenge will now launch in a new digital format** designed to keep children engaged and interested in reading. It aims to support parents and carers with children's reading at home and to provide digital engagement for children aged 4-11. The Challenge has already begun on the 5th June and is to continue through to mid-September.

- This new platform provides a fun, immersive and safe environment for children to achieve their reading goals and explore the **Silly Squad theme**.
- Children must create a free account to take part, this is a simple process and requires approval by an adult (via email). The Reading Agency are required by law to use this two-step authentication process for children under the age of 16.
- Although you must have an account to take part in the actual Challenge, lots of other content will be available on the website for everyone to explore.
- Children taking part will be asked to set their own reading goal. However, The Reading Agency will still be suggesting six books as the best goal to try for.
- Digital certificates can be printed out. No physical materials will be used.

There is also Lewisham Library Facebook group :

https://www.facebook.com/groups/LewishamSillySquad/?source_id=16451686911

Some of the content the children will find on the Facebook Group:-

- A weekly books recommendation from our ebooks of which we have a wide selection.
- Tell us a Joke – On twitter, video clips. All compiled into a blog at the end of the summer.
- Prizes
- Games
- Craft sessions
- Story telling
- Competitions