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Dear Parents/Carers,

Following the success of the recently aired BBC Documentary 'Jay Blades: Learning to read at 51' we have teamed up in partnership with the charity 'Read Easy' as featured in the documentary.

The documentary follows Jay who concealed his inability to read until he was in his 30s, after he struggled to learn to read as a child. Jay is not alone. Nearly seven million adults in the UK have very poor literacy skills. Many are too embarrassed to come forward and ask for help.

Read Easy is a local charity with groups set up on Portland. They have trained volunteers who teach reading and literacy skills specifically to adults on a 1:1 basis in various local locations and are ready and waiting for volunteers to come forward. We would love to support our local community and will help with any referrals that may be needed.

If you would like to access this support, or know someone who could benefit from the additional support please do not hesitate to let us know through our [school contact forms](#) or through Read Easy directly: irene@readeasy.org.uk

Kind regards,

Mrs A Hill
Deputy Head of Primary/SENCO