

Welcome to SPOKES!

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Dear Parent

Welcome to our second SPOKES (Supporting Parents on Kids Education in Schools) newsletter.

The overall aim of the programme is to give parents the skills to make their children ready for school.

If your child is in Key Stage 1 and you would like to learn some skills and activities to support them in their development, you can ask to take part in the free SPOKES Ready for School programme.

BOOKS

FREE
RESOURCES

SPOKES is a 9 week course for parents to help their children become more confident with their listening, talking, reading and writing.

These fun sessions are held for parents once a week during school time.

For further details, please ask your school or contact Jo Best (SPOKES Coordinator) jo.best@plymouth.gov.uk Tel 01752 258933

Best wishes
Alan Ebbens (SPOKES Manager)

Here are some quotes from parents who have already taken part in the SPOKES Ready for School Programme:

"Since doing the course, L's reading has greatly improved. He is concentrating better, enjoying it more & we are both having a lot more fun."

"The SPOKES course is an amazing experience, I have grown more confident, made a lot of friends & learnt techniques which are useful & used every day."

"Enjoy! This course will make a difference to your day to day life, improve your bond with your child as well as their reading ability."

SCHOOLS

A number of primary schools have already taken up the opportunity to join the free SPOKES programme. If your school wishes to be part of this exciting and effective Ready for School initiative, please contact Jo for further details – Tel: 01752 258933 or email jo.best@plymouth.gov.uk

Please see overleaf for details of our drawing competition open to children in Key Stage 1.

Calling all artists?

Is your child feeling inspired by a favourite book? Send us a picture they have drawn based on their favourite story and enter our prize draw. Please put their name, class and school on the back of their artwork. The winning picture will be chosen by our SPOKES team and printed, along with your child's name and school, on our next newsletter. You'll also receive a free book which is featured in the SPOKES programme for you and your child to read together. Please pass your entries to your school office by 30 November and we will ensure they are included in the competition.

PREVIOUS WINNERS ARTWORK

