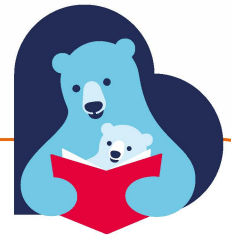


BookTrust's Bookstart Treasure

What families need to know



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Bookstart Treasure packs are free for all 3-4 year olds, in the academic year they turn 4.

We want families to enjoy reading together and get the most of Bookstart Treasure, so invite the family in for a special Treasure session. If this isn't possible, send a letter or include in a newsletter to remind them of the key messages.

Here are some things to say and do when giving Treasure to children and parents:

1. Let the children and families know why they've received the pack and why books, stories and rhymes are important

- This is a gift to keep from BookTrust, a charity that wants to get every child reading.
- Reading together is a great way for the whole family to spend quality time together and bond at any time of the day (like in the bedtime routine).
- Sharing books, stories and rhymes is a great way to enhance your child's brain, language and social development. Plus, they'll be excited to learn to read!



2. Show the contents of the pack and read some of the book with the children.

- Reassure parents reading together is fun and they can do it! Talk about the pictures, put on silly voices, or use props.
- Talk with the children about the story, link it to their interests and ask questions like 'what do you think will happen next?', and 'tell me what you think about...!'

3. Let the family know about other local services and sessions that could help them further, such as libraries and Rhymetimes.



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