



Time for **Paddington**

Volunteering in Primary Schools



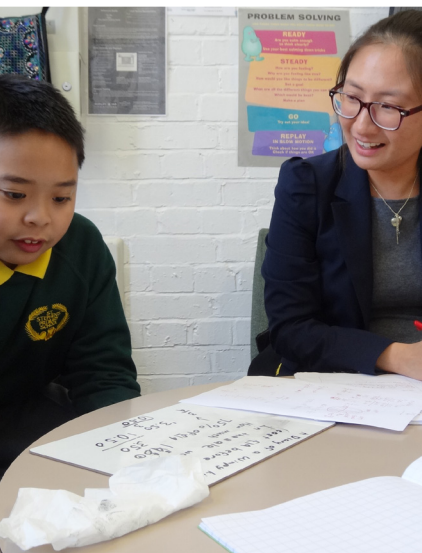
Our local primary schools are looking for volunteers to support their reading programme. By volunteering your time as a reading partner in a local school, you can develop a pupil's communications skills and raise their reading levels.

How does the programme work?

Time for Paddington will support your placement and you will be paired up by the school with one or two students (aged 6 to 11 years) whom you will help with reading, or by playing board games, for one hour, once a week, during school lunchtime.

- There are no costs to you.
- Preparatory material and guidance is provided by the school and you do not need any prior experience.
- All administration, including DBS police check and the selection of the school, is managed by Time for Paddington.

It is important that you commit to at least one full term (approximately 12 weeks) in the first instance, though we find most volunteers choose to stay at the school for the whole academic year, some even longer.



What skills do I need to become a volunteer?

All you need is to be an enthusiastic and supportive role model, happy to work with young inquisitive students. You will simply listen to a child or two children read, help with tricky words and ask them questions about the story or book. Our volunteers often report they get just as much out of the programme as their students, with their own communication skills, and morale, receiving a significant boost through the difference they make to the lives of these young people.

“It’s great to be able to do something worthwhile and enjoyable. The results become apparent very quickly and when the children get to like you, it’s priceless.”

Volunteer and Reading Mentor (Kingfisher)



How do I join?

Just get in touch and we'll do the rest.

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