

student2student

An easy way to improve your child's reading



everyone's family

Reading is an important part of life

Children need good reading skills to be able to perform well at school and set them up for success in the future.

The **student2student** program may **benefit your child if they need help with their reading** and has helped many children take big steps forward with their reading skills.



How it works

Your child will be **matched with a buddy** who is a student at least **two years older** than them.

The buddy has been **trained** to help others **improve their reading skills** and is from another school.

The student2student program runs over an **18 week** period.

During this time, the buddy will ring your child **2 to 3 times a week** and **listen to them read** for at least **20 minutes** each time.

It is important to **be committed** to the program to get the **best outcome**.

To protect everyone's **privacy**, you will only know each other's first name.

The program has **3 delivery models** and **eligibility requirements**. We currently have spaces in the following phase of the program:

- **Digital**

Examples of eligibility criteria for the digital phase include:

- Reading pre-test indicates student can benefit from assistance with reading
- Students need to have access to a laptop/ computer/ android tablet (NOT iPad) at home
- Students need to have access to a reliable internet source (NOT mobile data due to cost)

When children improve their reading skills, they also improve their confidence and self-esteem.

"The best part was that a girl called in every week and helped me with my reading and I thank her so much." Reader

"It was when I could read good books and my spelling got better. I am more confident about myself and my reading and plus I didn't get bored at home." Reader

How to get involved

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