

## Summer Reading Challenge

### Volunteer Reference

Each year the Library Service involves volunteers to assist with the Summer Reading Challenge which takes place in all 36 libraries in West Sussex.

The Summer Reading Challenge is a national scheme which encourages children to read books through the summer holidays. In West Sussex thousands of children take part each year, and for this reason we involve a range of volunteers to help deliver the Challenge, alongside library staff.

This volunteer role is often suited to young people seeking to gain work experience and develop new skills, including helping children and families, organisational skills and being a member of a team. However, we also welcome adults who have worked with families in the past and are looking to use existing skills or develop new ones.

We are able to support a wide range of people aged 14+ in this volunteer role but do expect everyone to demonstrate appropriate behaviour and conduct when volunteering in libraries. We require a reference for each applicant from a person **who is not related to them**.

If you are happy to confirm that you know this person in a school/college, work or volunteer/community capacity and that they are a suitable individual for this role, please complete the form below with your details.

**Completed forms can be returned to the library by the volunteer applicant.**

Volunteer's full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Referee's full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Referee's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Referee's phone/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_