

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child has enquired about volunteering at the library to help with the Summer Reading Challenge during July to September. 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 volunteers to help alongside library staff during peak times.

For young people this provides an excellent opportunity to gain valuable work experience and develop key skills. These include working with families, organisational skills, and working independently or as part of a team.

As your child is under 16 we request that you give your consent for them to volunteer with us. A Role Description is available from our website at www.westsussex.gov.uk/src or you may ask to see one in your local library.

If you are happy to give your consent please sign below as indicated and ask your child to bring this with them when they visit the library to discuss volunteering.

Yours faithfully,

Felicity Course
Team Manager – Families and Wellbeing

Child's full name: _____

Parent/Carer full name: _____

Parent/Carer signature: _____

Date: _____

We would like to collect photographic and film evidence of young people supporting the Summer Reading Challenge in libraries. This will be used for internal communications and possibly external promotion and advocacy in the future.

If you **do not** wish your child to be included in photos or film please tick here ☐