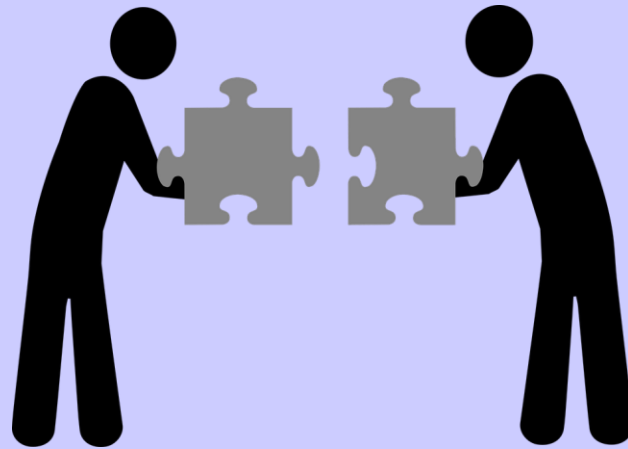


Being a Peer Mentor at Halsford Park



What is a Peer Mentor

A peer mentor is a young person who helps someone else to get better at something by practising.

Some examples of the activities you can do with your mentee are: paired reading, mastery boards and phonics.

You will have training with an adult so you will know exactly what to do.



Why we need Peer Mentors

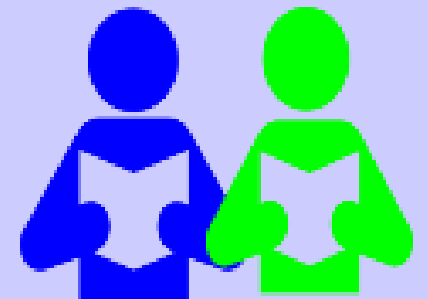
- We care about others and want to help - Compassion
- We are sensitive to the needs of everyone - Respect
- Helping others will help me too - Courage
- Using my skills can help others learn - Responsibility



How a Peer Mentor helps

Different kinds of mentor -

- Help with turn taking – in conversation and games
- Help with reading
e.g. paired reading
- Help with Intervention programmes
e.g. Phonics or mastery board.



How a Peer Mentor helps

- Provides individual attention
- Helps everyone to belong
- Learn from each other
- Improve confidence
- Build relationships
- Have fun together



As a Peer Mentor we need to...

- Listen
- Build trust
- Be reliable
- Be punctual
- Make a difference



- Be understanding
- Never judge
- Be friendly
- Be encouraging
- Know when to seek adult help

How did we apply?



Summer Term

- Miss Loftus spoke to us at the end of Year 4 about being a Peer Mentor
- We each completed an application form to say why we wanted to be a Peer Mentor.
- Everyone in Year 5 was welcome to be a Peer Mentor

Autumn Term

- When we came back to school in September, Ms Wren and Miss Loftus completed some training with us (Paired reading, Phonics, or Mastery Boards).
- We were matched with our Mentee and taken to meet them
- We have the responsibility for looking at the timetable, timing the sessions and rewarding with Dojos.
- We meet with Ms Wren to talk about what is going well and even better if – we meet once a half term.

Why did I apply?

I applied because I wanted to help other children who were in need of some help.

I applied because I wanted to help younger children and be an ambassador for our school.

I applied because I like helping others and I want other people to improve in their spelling.

I applied because I wanted to help children who needed help to succeed in their current learning



Other roles available in school

- Reading buddy (Year 4 children read with younger children)
- Sports Crew – Members of Year 5 that are trained
- Prefect – Year 6
- Buddy – Year 6



Do you have any questions for us?

