## the switch

## Reading and Number Partners

Impaction

We were delighted to see Reading and Number Partners complete a full year back in school!

Reading and Number Partners pair trained volunteers, who work in London, with pupils in local primary schools. A key focus is not only conversation and oracy but exposing pupils to the world of work and increasing aspiration.

- Reading Partners share books with their pupils and help them to develop a love of reading through games and activities.
- Number Partners help pupils develop confidence with maths and see it as fun and relevant, through games and activities.



## **Number Partners**

After participating in Number Partners, pupils were more likely to say they felt confident with maths and that maths is important for future jobs. Most pupils said they enjoyed maths lessons more as a result of Number Partners.

"I enjoyed having fun and playing card games. I liked beating my partner!"

**Pupil** 

"I think one of the benefits are the relationships that the children have built up with their partners. The children have enjoyed spending time with them and working on practical tasks."

**Teacher** 

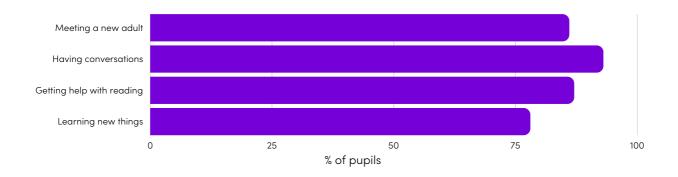


"I enjoyed helping the pupils develop self confidence, I saw my pupil go from very shy to chatty, an awareness of numbers, shapes and maths and how this is everywhere in the world around them and not just in 'sums, helping them make that connection and reinforcing what they've already learnt in class. A lovely activity for the pupils and for us volunteers!"

## **Reading Partners**

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Pupils said what they liked about working with their Reading Partner was:



"I really enjoy helping my pupil improve her reading and tracking her progress. I like being able to answer questions the pupil has about reading, books and grammar. It's a great way to give back to the community and have a break from work life."

Volunteer

100% volunteers said they

recommend being a Ŕeading Partner to colleagues

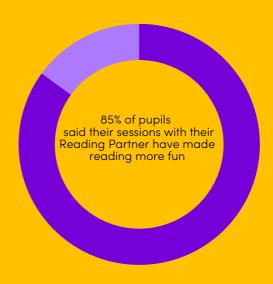
"Children have received an extra half an hour of reading to an adult which is very beneficial particularly for the children who do not read at home. They also had a chance to discuss their reading and get encouragement to read for pleasure."

Teacher



of pupils said they would tell their friends to become a Reading Partne

"My favourite thing was playing games with my reading partner" **Pupil** 



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