St Catherine's
CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Summer Holiday Reading Activities for All the Family!

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Den Reading Build a den or hideout with your child out of dark blankets or sheets. Ask your child to choose some of their books to take into the den to read. Don't forget the torch – it's exciting to read a book by torch light! 	**Holiday Scrapbook** During holiday time, collect items of interest and stick them all in a scrapbook or write a simple holiday diary. As you stick these items in, chat about your child's choices and favourite things to do. You will have created a book full of happy memories that your child can read again and again. 	**Cooking** If your child likes to cook, encourage them to read the instructions in recipes and plan for what is needed. Some fun ones include Roald Dahl's *Revolting Recipes*, *The Silver Spoon for Children*, Jamie Oliver and school dinner lady Nora Sands' *Nora's Kitchen*, or *Grow it, Eat it*. But if you don't know these, any will do. 	**In the News** Encourage your child to read newspapers and find out what is going on in the world. Try **First News** , a children's paper aimed at 7–14 year olds, or **CBBC Newsround online** , as a change from television. You may want to be around if stories are of a sensitive nature, but talk to your child about what they have read. Use local papers to read about local events. FirstNews NEWS TO GET YOUNG PEOPLE TALKING newsround	**Sharing a Story** If your child is reading a chapter book, consider reading the same book at the same time – this gives you the chance to compare your impressions of the book and talk about the plot. Ask your child questions, e.g. Which character they liked best, who would they like to be? Ask them to write you a short quiz about the book to check you've read it properly! 	**Shopping** When doing your weekly shop, encourage your child to help with the shopping by writing and reading the list as well as finding products in store or online. If they need new school shoes or new school uniforms, get them to do some research online first to make the trip to the shops more efficient. It's all good reading practice. 