



Growing a Reading Culture in Schools



This year St. Aidan's Comprehensive are hoping to achieve the "Wellread Award".

The "Wellread National Award" is an initiative designed and organised by the professional Development Service for Teachers (P.D.S.T.). It aims to create heightened awareness about the importance of creating a culture of reading in school communities for our young people, as part of their personal and academic development.

It is a whole School initiative involving Students, parents, staff, and the wider community in a range of reading and associated activities. The school is forming a "Wellread committee" involving representatives from all these partners.

It is envisaged that the National award will explicitly foster and nurture a reading culture in your school and will bring about an overall improvement in students' literacy skills in a fun and engaging way.

Literacy Survey results from 1st year parents carried out on 26th Oct 2017:

- 68% of parents said their son/daughter was a reader while 32% said their son/daughter was not a reader.
- 100% of parents surveyed said that they would be prepared to help us to encourage their son/daughter to read.