

Bluecoat Beechdale Academy is raising funds through a crowd funding campaign for
READING PENS



Bluecoat Beechdale
Belong, Believe, Achieve



Bluecoat Beechdale Academy has a rich history of providing excellent education for children from the City of Nottingham and beyond. We have high aspirations for ourselves, our students and the community we serve, and our intention is to improve life experiences of the children and families we work with.



As part of this we are highly committed to developing students' literacy skills both in and outside of the classroom.

We want to empower our students to develop a love of reading and have full access to their entire curriculum.

What are we fundraising for?

Reader pens can instantly scan words and sentences to verbally read them back to students and provide dictionary definitions.

Students with reading difficulties can use these pens to find out how words sound and what words mean. This enhances students' access to reading materials – developing their independence and confidence.



Year 10 Student

"I like it because it is very useful and don't have to ask for help if I cannot read a word or sentence."

Year 7 Student

"It helps me read hard words and extend my knowledge and vocabulary."

Year 9 Student

"Can I keep it"

Year 8 Student

"I like it because it is easy to use – you just scan the words in the book and you can read and understand what all the other children are using. It makes me feel that I am part of the group."

What are the benefits?

Academic research and our own in-house work has found that these pens:

- Improve reading accuracy and comprehension
- Encourage positive attitudes to learning
- Promote higher emotional well-being
- Increase reading confidence with and without the pens
- Encourage less reliance on support staff

It is also very clear from many decades of research that improved literacy is strongly linked to greater academic success and better life chances.

We want to spread this positive impact across all our students with reading difficulties.

How can you help?

Visit our DonateMySchool page and contribute from as little as £5 to empower our students' literacy development.

<https://donatemyschool.com/bluecoatbeechdale>



To support the school's campaign, please visit:

<https://donatemyschool.com/bluecoatbeechdale>