



3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are a local primary school currently celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We are hoping that with your help, we can create a lasting legacy for the children of Stourbridge to mark this special occasion.

Being able to read is one of the most important tools that we can give our children and sets them on the path to educational success but also can provide them with an enriching leisure activity for life.

To support our aim of every child being a reader, we have been busy fundraising and have raised almost £20,000 to refurbish two areas of the school to create wonderful reading environments: a beautiful fiction library and a non-fiction 'Learning Lab'. This has involved us providing shelving, book storage and seating so that children can comfortably curl up and lose themselves in a book.

Having created this wonderful learning environment, we are now looking for support to fill our shelves with books. We are approaching fifty local businesses and asking them to sponsor us for £50 to buy books - although we gladly accept more!

If you feel that you are able to support your local community in this way, donations can be made through the Support Your School website. On the site you are able to indicate who has made the donation and write a message of support, which will be seen by others accessing the site. We will also be publically thanking donors through a published list shared with our school and wider community.

<https://supportyourschool.org.uk/theridge/fifty-fifty>

By donating you will help children access a range of books so that every child in school can find something; whether they are already a reader and are waiting to be introduced to their next great read or if they are a reluctant reader and are in need of the book that will transform them into a lifelong reader.

Thank you for considering our request. If this letter has not reached the relevant person within your organisation, we would be grateful if you are able to forward it on to the person who deals with social responsibility or community support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. D. Hudson  
Headteacher

