

# Bookstart Week

**\*Some information and tips from Bookstart\***

**This gift of free books aims to inspire a love of reading that will give children a flying start in life. Early books sharing in the home environment helps to develop positive attitudes towards learning.**

**You are your child's first and most important teacher.** Stories, books and rhymes are an essential part of children's development so it's important to include them in their everyday routine. This will help your child develop the skills they need to enjoy school and do well in their lessons.

**Sharing books, talking about the pictures and cuddling up close together will help them to build a strong and loving relationship with your child.** Everyone in the family can join in; dads, mums, carers, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunties and uncles.

**Children love lots of different kinds of books and will enjoy choosing books for themselves, so it is good to join the library in Downton or Salisbury.**