

Why should I join Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library (DPIL)?

Reading makes a huge difference to a child’s life, impacting on education and literacy levels, and encouraging a love for books. It will help to develop communication and language skills, meaning they will be more likely to be ready for school by the age of 5. Sharing stories with your child is really important for helping their brains to grow, as well as building a bond between the two of you.

If I have more than one child, do they each get a book?

If you are in an SSBC ward, you can register any child up to 4 years old to receive the books, so siblings will get a book each. However, if the siblings are the same age, they will receive the same book.

How often will I receive the books and for how long?

Children will receive one book a month, every month, until their 5th birthday.

How much does it cost?

Nothing - it is completely free! It has been funded by Small Steps Big Changes in Aspley, Bulwell, Hyson Green & Arboretum and St Ann’s.

Can we choose which books we will get?

You are not able to choose the specific books that you receive, but they will be age appropriate.

How will I receive my book?

Your book will be delivered to your home address each month.

Do I need to return the books?

No, they are yours to keep!

Are the books available in other languages?

The books are currently only available in English, supporting language development and preparation for the transition in to nursery and primary school. Your local library has access to a number of books in different languages.

Who is eligible?

SSBC fund four wards in Nottingham, you can check if you are eligible by entering your post code here: www.smallstepsbigchanges.org.uk/groups-activities/imagination-library

When can I sign up?

In the SSBC wards you can sign up to the scheme from birth to your child’s fourth birthday.

How do I sign up?

To sign up in the SSBC wards please call 0115 8836742 or email ncp.ss.bc@nhs.net