

## Every Child a Chance goes to Downing Street

Amid the hubbub of 2009 Budget day in Number Ten Downing Street were seventeen children and their parents from across the country – children who have taken part in Every Child a Reader or Every Child Counts, and made exceptional progress against the odds as a result.



The children were joined by Every Child a Chance Trustees, funders and partners at a reception, hosted by the Prime Minister, to celebrate the success of the Trust's programmes.



Also at the reception were Secretary of State Ed Balls and Schools Minister Sarah McCarthy-Fry.

The Prime Minister thanked all the funders who had contributed to Every Child a Reader and Every Child Counts. He spoke powerfully of the impact of one-to-one tuition and the need to make sure that children from less advantaged social backgrounds have the same chance of receiving one-to-one help as those who are more advantaged. He read out work by Immanuel, aged seven, who has benefited from Reading Recovery and wrote (long before he knew he was coming to Downing Street) 'I want to be a Prime Minister. I want to write books so there are more books for children to read'.

Watch a video of the event at:

<http://link.brightcove.com/services/player/bcpid1600158122?bclid=1672079856&bctid=20816662001>

Follow the link and play the film on the large screen, subtitled 'You are watching Every Child Matters'.