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UWA Reading Newsletter

Your termly newsletter about reading in our school!

WELCOME

Welcome to the second edition of UWA's Reading Newsletter. Find out which exciting books have been read in class this term. In this edition, we will also hear from more guest readers, share competitions to be part of and share our summer reading challenge!

We hope you find this information useful. Miss Whittaker

Reading at home over the summer- TOP TIPS!

It can be a worry for parents about continuing to support their child's reading progress during the school holidays. Holiday time can be a juggling act, with day trips, visiting relatives and travelling on holidays. Doing all this, at the same time as encouraging your child to read and keeping their motivation and enjoyment of reading up as much as possible is difficult, so hopefully these ideas will help!

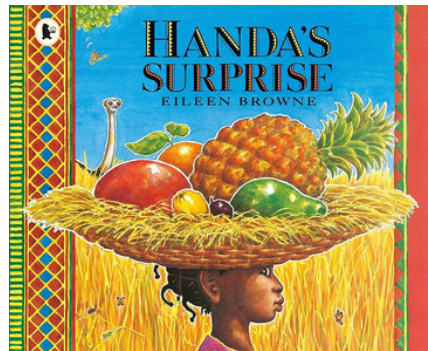
1. Visit the local library - sign up and let children choose their own new books to read!
2. Read stories online - There are lots of great stories to enjoy. [Click for KS1](#)
3. Read when you're out and about - the park, beach, even a den in the garden!
4. Make or cook something by reading instructions or recipes.
5. Encourage children to keep up to date with the news by watching Newsround.
6. Become your own author - <https://storybird.com/>

What we are reading this term

Nursery



Reception



Year 1



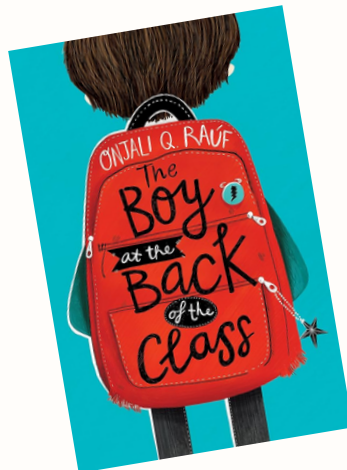
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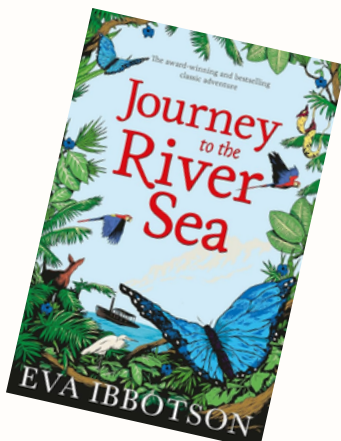
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Year 6

Guest Readers!

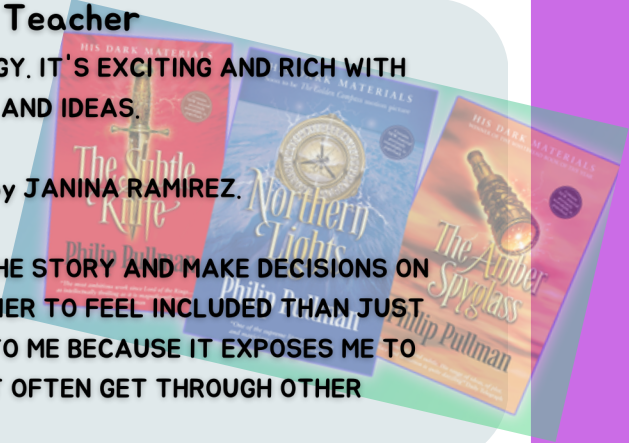
In each newsletter, we will be sharing some of the teachers favourite books and why they LOVE reading!

Mr Vanstone, Year 6 Class Teacher

My favourite children's book is HIS DARK MATERIALS TRILOGY. IT'S EXCITING AND RICH WITH INTERESTING THEMES, CHARACTERS AND IDEAS.

I am currently reading RIDDLE OF THE RUNES by JANINA RAMIREZ.

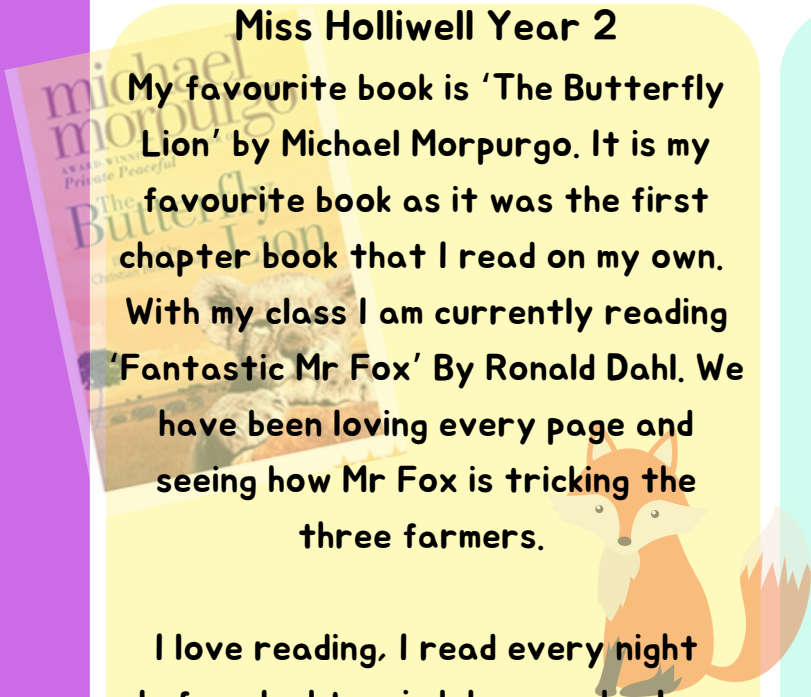
Reading is important to me because IT LETS ME BE PART OF THE STORY AND MAKE DECISIONS ON HOW CHARACTERS AND SETTINGS LOOK AND FEEL. IT'S EASIER TO FEEL INCLUDED THAN JUST WATCHING A STORY ON TV. READING IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE IT EXPOSES ME TO VARIED AND INTERESTING LANGUAGE THAT YOU DON'T OFTEN GET THROUGH OTHER ENTERTAINMENT.



Miss Holliwell Year 2

My favourite book is 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo. It is my favourite book as it was the first chapter book that I read on my own. With my class I am currently reading 'Fantastic Mr Fox' By Ronald Dahl. We have been loving every page and seeing how Mr Fox is tricking the three farmers.

I love reading, I read every night before bed to wind down and relax. For Christmas, I got a kindle which I love as I can take my reading with me wherever I go. I have read 13 books already this year from a variety of adult authors from thrillers to romance I love all story types. Reading helps me to escape reality and lose myself in a different world.



I'm Mrs Jackson and you can currently find me in Year 6, in the KS2 breakfast club or on the playground.

My favourite children's book is a book called Pollyanna by Eleanor H. Porter. It's quite an old story, but I fell in love with it as a child as Pollyanna always tries to look for something good in every situation - even if things are difficult.

I do also love Roald Dahl's stories - especially George's Marvellous Medicine!

My favourite book character is Elizabeth Bennet from Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen. I love how Lizzy stands up for herself and what she believes in, but she also isn't afraid to see when she has got things wrong and learn from it.

When I was ten, a younger family friend handed me a children's book in Dutch and asked me to read it to her (despite not being able to speak or read the language). Five minutes of very, very broken Dutch followed along with the biggest smile from my friend. Reading can be difficult, but it can help bring us together, to understand each other, to discover new things and to go on some amazing adventures.



Our Library

Dear Young Readers,
Welcome back our Library newsletters!
We're thrilled to share some fantastic news and updates from your library.

This half term our new librarians have been busy learning their roles. They have been out on the playground encouraging children to visit the library and keep their books up to date. The children now get the opportunity to visit the library at lunch times! They have also been opening our reading sheds outside and sharing stories with others. As well as keeping them tidy.

We are always finding new and exciting books to add to the library and Mrs Goodwin works really hard to keep the library a lovely relaxing and enjoyable space.

Please remember to return your books when you are finished with them as this allows them to be enjoyed by others too!

Thank you for continuing to read and diving into lots of incredible stories. Together, let's celebrate our love of reading, explore new worlds, and continue to discover the joy and wonder that books bring into our lives.
Happy reading!

Poetry Corner

Try closing your eyes and following along with the breathing in the poem, while someone else reads it out loud.

Take A Deep Breath

Close your eyes,
imagine the sea.

Take a deep breath...
and let it out.

Close your eyes,
imagine the waves splashing your feet.

Take a deep breath...
and let it out.

Close your eyes,
imagine your toes in the sand.

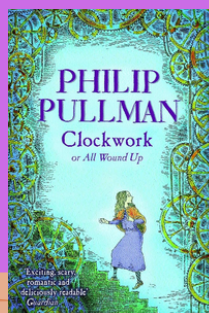
Take a deep breath...
and let it out.

Close your eyes,
imagine the sun on your face.

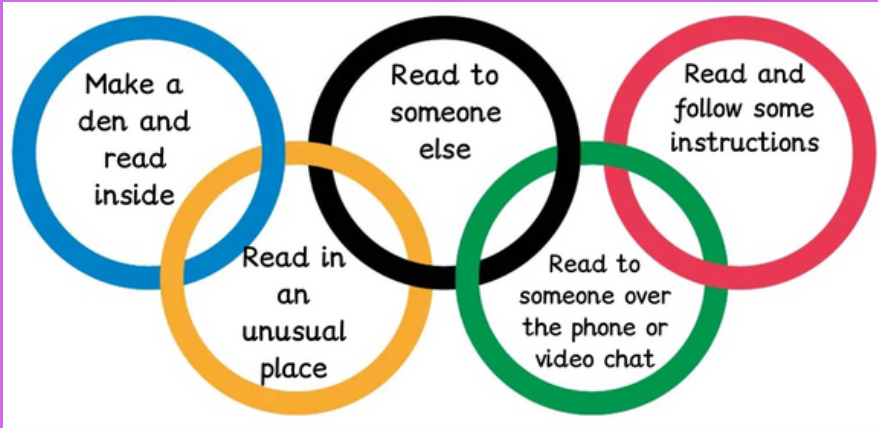
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Take A Deep Breath by
Joseph Coelho

Books we're excited about!



Competition time!



Check out UWA's 'READING OLYMPICS' summer challenge!

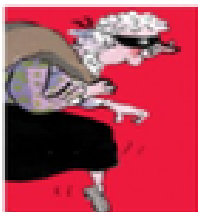
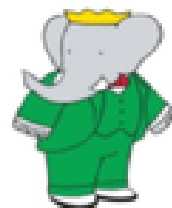
To take part, complete the task in each of the Olympic rings and take a photo. Share these photos with us to win a prize.

Will you 'GO FOR GOLD' this year?

QUIZ TIME!

Round 1: Who am I?

Team name:



Bring your answers to Miss Whittaker for a prize and a mention in the next newsletter!