## <u>LIBRARY NEWSLETTER</u>



Welcome to the Spring 2022 library newsletter. Here you will find lots of bookish news and features, such as suggestions for what to read next, help with achieving the reading challenges, an interview with Mr Parke, and of course your fantastic book reviews and recommendations!

#### Book Review Help

Need some help writing a book review for your reading challenge? Try including some of this vocabulary:

> The story takes place... The plot focuses on... One of the highlights is... This reminded me of... This book made me feel... I chose to read this because...

<u>Useful Adjectives</u> Fast-paced, gripping, thrilling, surprising, odd, humourous, emotional, fascinating, inspiring

#### Congratulations!

Well done to everyone who has completed a bronze, silver or gold reading challenge this year. You are all fantastic readers!

Especially well done to our Gold Olympian Reading Ambassadors. If you're not sure what to read next, try asking them, They have read a lot of books!

Well done too to our lunchtime librarians. Your help in keeping the library tidy and organised is much appreciated. Keep up the good work!



# What books are classes around the school reading?

Year 3 - The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

Year 4 - Max and the Millions by Ross Montgomery Year 5 - Cosmic by Frank Cotterell Boyce

Year 6 - Sky Song by Abi Elphinstone, then No Ballet Shoes in Syria by Catherine Bruton



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### Reader Interview with Mr Parke

#### What did you like to read as a child?

I really enjoyed all the Roald Dahl books with my favourite being George's Marvellous Medicine, I still have my copy from when I was younger. The Redwall books by Brian Jacques was my first step into fantasy fiction, which is a genre I still enjoy now.

#### Why do you enjoy reading?

I enjoy it because it is an escape to so many different places and worlds and you get to meet a range of interesting and different characters. Also it is a good way to relax and unwind after a busy day. Plus I like being able to share books and read or talk about them with other people,

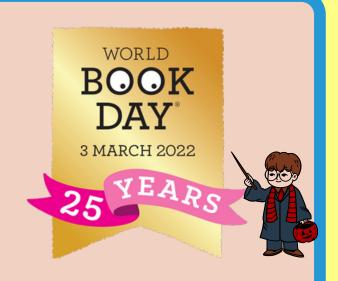
#### Do you have a favourite book character?

I have always liked Miss Trunchbull as she is just so mean, horrible and unlikeable but this makes her interesting.



#### What have you read recently that you would recommend?

I enjoyed the Monsters of Rookhaven by Padraig Kenny and I re-read Pog which I also enjoyed. I read the Last Wild by Piers Torday which was also a very interesting read.



Don't forget World Book Day! It's on Thursday 3rd March. Who will you dress up as?

## Hungry for more?

Enjoyed your class read? Class book sequels, available in the library









## YOUR REVIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

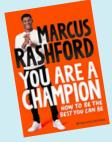
Thank you for all your fantastic book reviews. Here are just a few. Please remember to include your name so we can credit you on the newsletter.



Science loving Cookie's best friend moves away and then the most annoying boy in the world starts school. Can Cookie win the science competition and make things better again? "Interesting, fun and full of drama." - Hayley, 3RD

A positive and inspiring guide to life by England and Manchester United footballer, Marcus Rashford.

"Recommended to anyone with a kind loving heart." - Theo, 5JKR Also recommended by Riley, 6PP

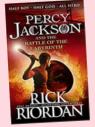




Can a plucky birdwatcher use his skills to outwit an escaped robber? Find out in Twitch! "It leaves you hanging and wanting to read more." - Ariana, 6FCB

An abandoned baby and a deadly discovery create an exciting historical adventure story set in the circus in The Girl Who Walked on Air.. "It was incredibly tense!" - Daisy, 6MB





Percy Jackson and the Battle of the Labyrinth contains monsters, Greek Gods, laughs and another adventure for the young man who is half-boy, half-God, all-hero! "It's got great cliff-hangers!" - Freddie, 5AH

Another adventure for everyone's favourite little vampire. This time Amelia Fang is in search of the lost yeti treasure! "It's a really fun adventure." - Freya, 6MB



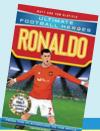


An unusual detective duo and ghostly shenanigans are the order of the day in Potkin and Stubbs. It's both a funny adventure and a spooky detective story.

"Recommended if you like mysteries and plot twists." - Tayiba,  $6\mathrm{MB}$ 

Sophie has been told she is an orphan but she is determined to track down her mother in this thrilling race across the rooftops of Paris. "An adventure story that is intense!" - Lily, 5AH





Ronaldo's life story from boy to football superstar. "If you like football, I would highly recommend it." - Mylo, 6MB

Kidnap on the California Comet is another heart-stopping adventure set aboard a train. Can Hal solve the mystery this time? A great follow up to the Year 5 class read, The Highland Falcon Thief.

"You need to read this because of the action and mystery." - Bobby, 6PP





The Ghost of Gosswater is a spooky tale of a girl cast out, determined to uncover the secret of her past.

"This book was tense and unexpected." - Sofia, 6MB

Lily Alone is another funny and touching read from the former Children's Laureate. Can Lily look after her siblings all by herself?. "If you like Tracy Beaker, you'll enjoy this." - Ada, 5DW





The Girl Who Speaks Bear is a beautiful tale steeped in fokelore and fairy tales about a girl learning where she fits. It features bears, dragons and a weasel!

"Anyone who likes adventure stories should read this." - Betsy,  $6\mathrm{MB}$ 

When Aveline investigates a girl's disappearance, something stirs and comes looking for Aveline! The Haunting of Aveline Jones is seriously spooky. "A dark and scary read, with twists!" - Dylan, 6MB





First one little lie pops out, then another and another. Can Anna and Ellie's friendship survive? Find out in The Small Things. "It's full of mysteries, so you always want to read on." - Holly, 5DW

# **AVAILABLE IN THE LIBRARY**

All these great books are available in the school library. Which one will be your next read?



That's all for now! Keep on reading and working towards your reading challenges. If you're not sure what to read, ask your teacher, a Reading Ambassador, your friends, Mrs Lanham, Mrs Larkin or fill in a 'I'm Not Sure What to Read Next' form and a book will be delivered to you!