

READING NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANCE OF READING FOR PLEASURE



Choosing to read

is the single most important indicator of a child's future success.



Book Chat

encourages readers. Invite them to make connections and share their views. Join in with your thoughts too!



Family Reading Time

Making time to read alongside one another helps develop reading stamina and interest. Choose what you want to read and relax together.



Read Aloud

Reading aloud to your children shows them reading is a pleasure not a chore.



BOOK OF THE TERM

Hilda and Twig: Hide from the Rain
by Luke Pearson



NOTE FROM TEACHERS

Children who read and are supported as readers, develop strong reading skills and do better in school. Reading unlocks the whole curriculum.

ACCELERATED READER



What is it?

A program that helps teachers manage and monitor children's independent reading practice. Your child picks a book at their own level and reads it at their own pace. When finished, your child takes a short quiz on the computer. (Passing the quiz is an indication that your child understood what was read.)



How to support?

The program also has a special feature called Renaissance Home Connect, which the children can access out of school with their own log in. Encourage your child to read at home, discuss their books, ask questions about what they have read and complete quizzes. Child can track how much they have read and earn 'word' certificates.

DON'T MISS THIS!

JANUARY 20

Phonics Screening Check workshop

FEBRUARY 2

National Storytelling Week

MARCH 5

World Book Day

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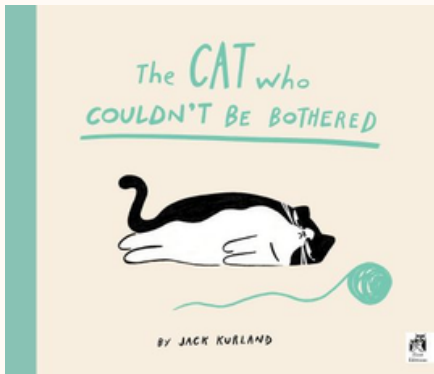


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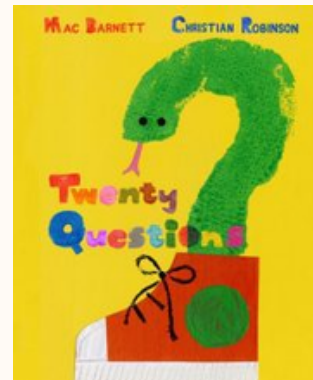


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BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS KS1



A delightful - and surprising - tale (or tail?!) of a cat who feels lacking in get up and go. Perfect for younger readers to explore themes of worry, sadness, and friendship. Funny, thoughtful and kind with delightfully characterful illustrations.



Twenty Questions is the perfect book to dig deep into children's curious minds. In typical Mac Barnett style, some pages will have you laughing out loud while other pages make you wonder.

This will be a book that children love to return to and get lots of wonderful book talk from. There are no wrong answers in this simple but genius book.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS KS2



Brogen Murphy's brilliant debut novel imagines a future where parts of Britain have been rewilded and are now home to previously extinct or endangered flora and fauna. Two sisters find themselves lost and far from home in this dangerous landscape with only themselves to rely upon. Packed with imagination and adventure, this story is perfect for more confident readers who love stories of survival or have an interest in the environment and conservation. It'll keep you on the edge of your seat!



Fast-paced and full of adventure, this is a thriller that will keep you on the edge of your seat!

It is straight into the action - the dramatic beginning draws you in and the subsequent story keeps you entertained throughout!

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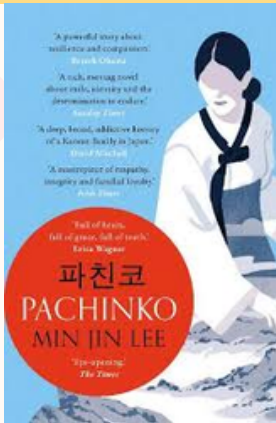


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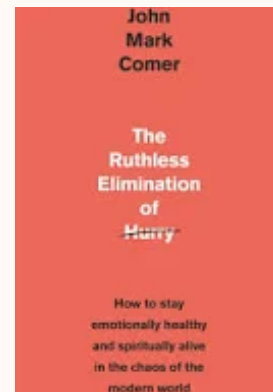


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BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS ADULTS



An epic historical fiction novel following a Korean family who immigrates to Japan. The story features an ensemble of characters who encounter racism, discrimination, stereotyping, and other aspects of the 20th-century Korean experience of Japan



Too often we treat the symptoms of toxicity in our modern world instead of trying to pinpoint the cause. A growing number of voices are pointing at hurry, or busyness as a root of much evil. Within the pages of this book, you'll find a compelling emotional and spiritual case against hurry and in favour of a slower, simpler way of life.

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