

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

The House with Chicken Legs Runs Away
by Sophie Anderson



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!

JUNE

Audiobook
Appreciation Month

JULY 30

Paperback Book Day

AUGUST 9

National Book
Lovers' Day

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BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS KS1

Oh Dear, Look What I Got!



Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury

A new classic by the creators of *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*.

A brilliant new book that will delight a new generation of children. Each visit to the shop brings an animal surprise in this playful read-aloud, with a final twist and a joyful ending.



JAKE HOPE BRIAN FITZGERALD

Normally Zarah and her brother are collected from school by their dad, who rushes them home taking every shortcut. But today Uncle Jerome is collecting them, and he takes 'The long way home'. Reluctant to go further than necessary at first, the children are soon caught up in amazing adventures, due to their uncle's sense of fun and imagination.

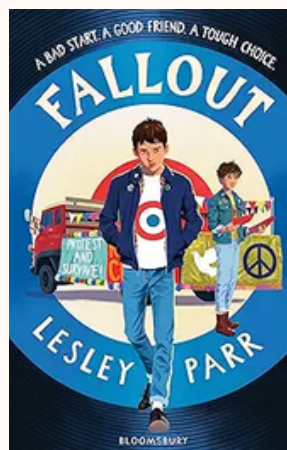
BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS KS2

KIMBERLY WHITTAM



Angel finds school hard. She talks back to teachers, she storms out of lessons, and she's had more detentions than any other Year 8 student...ever. But really, Angel wants to be good. She wants to fit in, she wants to make friends, and she even wants to win the school baking contest.

But it's hard to be good when everyone expects the worst. And with her mum not well enough to look after her, and Angel making more and more bad choices, she's starting to run out of chances...



Is Marcus's fate decided by his family? Or can he stand up for himself to become the person he really wants to be?

When a mysterious accident lands a man in hospital, it confirms what everyone in their community expects and Marcus gets the blame. He feels trapped. Only new girl Emma - with her peace protest banners and political badges - questions this story. Can they work together to clear his name - and help Marcus become the person he really wants to be?

