



Reading Newsletter – Spring Term 2022

Reading Shed

We are pleased to announce that our Book Exchange shed is open for business!

As part of our Life Changing Libraries journey, we want to bring books and reading, not only to our children, but also to our wider community.

The idea behind the shed is that it is a place where you can exchange books –choose one you might like to read or bring in any books that you have already read and would like to share with others.

The shed is located outside the Year 4 classroom by the main entrance.

From next week, we will be opening the school gates slightly earlier on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon so that you can come and have a look.

Moving forward, we would like to develop an area at the front of the school where you can sit and read whilst you wait for the school day to end – any parents that would like to help or get involved, please let us know.



World Book Day

Once again, we will be taking part in World Book Day on **Thursday 3rd March**. Details will follow shortly, but we would ask that you do not go out and buy costumes as we are hoping to do something a little different this year for its 25 year anniversary.

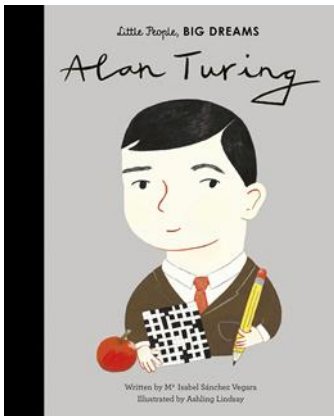


Visit from Jude Lennon

We were very lucky to have local author Jude Lennon visit us this week to deliver assemblies for our Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 children. The children asked some great questions and it is wonderful to see the positive impact that authors and advocates of reading can bring into school. Thank you to Miss Milligan who organised the visit and also won some Builder Book boxes for our F2 and Year 1 children. Read more about the visit on our Twitter page or for more information on Builder books see [@BuilderBookUk](#) and [@JudeLennonBooks](#)

Book Recommendations

This term, staff have been sharing their non-fiction book recommendations from our school library. Here are a few of our favourites.



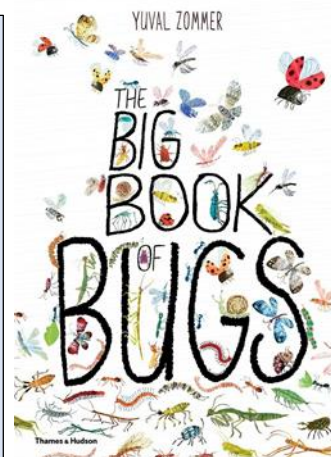
Mrs Kirkham:

This book tells the story of Alan Turing's life. It is told in an easy to understandable way with simple illustrations. It is a great way to learn about Alan's inspiring life and legacy.

Mrs Blundell:

Part of the series of Big Books, this one explores the world of bugs. It is beautifully illustrated and although aimed at the younger reader, is a great book for all ages to explore.

Find hidden bugs and discover weird and wonderful facts such as a horsefly can fly faster than a car on the motorway!



Mrs Britton:

Year 3 have been enjoying learning about explorers using this wonderful book. Written by Alistair Humphreys, an adventurer himself, this book explores some well-known adventurers and some less well known. The information is presented in a variety of ways making it a great book for all Key stage 2 children.

Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health week. We have a growing collection of books in the school library to support children with their well being and mental health. This has been down to the support of Turn the Page and our sponsors, the SENSory Toy shop in Wallasey. We are looking forward to working with them throughout the school year and in further developing our nurture room.



Our school library

We have now had a whole term to enjoy and explore our new library. It truly is a special place. It's now time for us to think about how we can open it up more for the wider school community. We'd be interested to hear your thoughts or ideas.

Look out for a letter in the next few weeks where we will be looking for your ideas and suggesting ways in which you could get involved with our library.

Year 3/4 Book Club

After half term, Miss Roberts and Miss Milligan will be running a book club for Year 3 and Year 4 children. Details will be sent out very soon – keep your eyes peeled – they have lots of great and exciting things planned.

COMPETITION TIME!

It is lovely to see so many of the children enjoying our new school library. We are very lucky to have such a wonderful space and so many fantastic books to read.

One thing that is really important, is that we work together to look after our library so that everyone can enjoy it.

We would like the children to **design a poster**, which we can display in the library and book areas in classrooms, **that helps us all look after our reading spaces and take care of our books.**

We will have **three prizes** for the winning posters, one for Key Stage 1, one for Years 3 and 4 and one for Years 5 and 6. The winners will be visiting Bear Hunt Books in Bebington to choose their own book prize.

Posters can be drawn or designed on the computer and should be A4 size. Please put your child's **name and class on the back.**

Closing date is **Thursday 17th February.**

Entries should be returned to **Mrs Davies or Miss Milligan.**