

Berkeley Primary School

Spring One Reading Newsletter



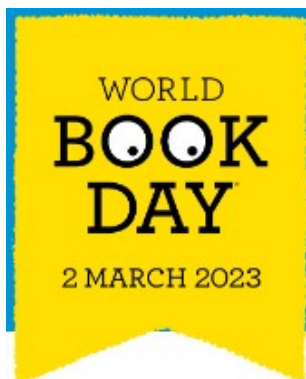
Hello and welcome back to our newsletter. We hope that you enjoyed reading the first one back in the autumn term—we had a lot of fun making it! We have lots more information, ideas, reviews and much more in this edition. Please let us know if there is anything else you would like to learn about reading here at Berkeley.



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Our English Books—Spring Term

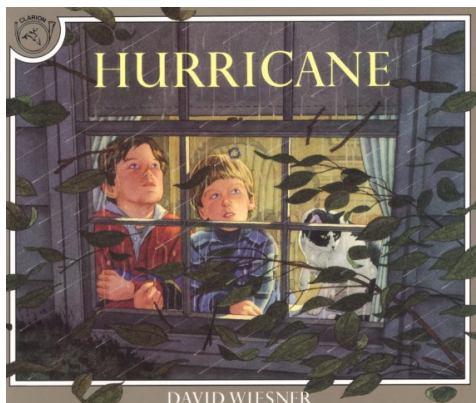
This term, we are all enjoying reading new texts in class. Take a look to



We are all really looking forward to **World Book Day 2023!** We would love it if you could dress up as a character from your favourite book and it would be even better if you could bring the book with you as well! Please take a look at the WBD website for some ideas on budget friendly costumes.

www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/

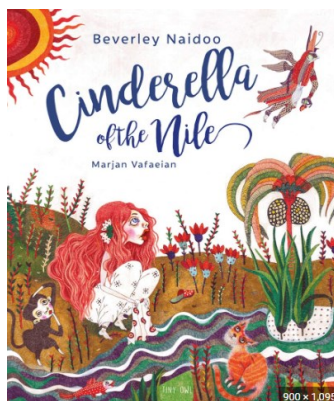
Year Three



'I love how the characters use their imaginations. It makes the story really exciting to read and listen to.'

Connie

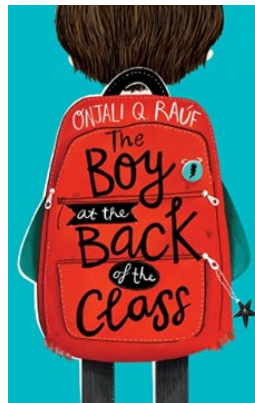
Year Four



'I like the illustrations in this book. I like Cinderella's long, red hair.'

Matilda

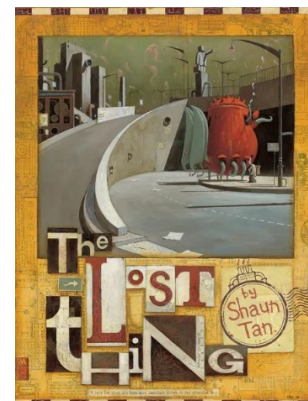
Year Five



'I really like the detail that is put into every character. I feel like I know them all really well.'

Dania

Year Six



'I enjoyed reading this book because it was so different to books I have read before.'

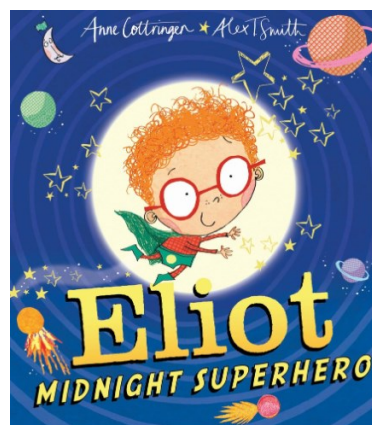
Isla

★ Parent Reading Workshop

We are really excited to be working with the wonderful **Sarah Tipler** again this year. Sarah will be coming in to host a parent workshop focusing on Reading for Pleasure; how you can support your children with their reading at home and much more. Sarah has been running parent workshops since 2016 and has delivered them to over 90% of the schools across North Lincolnshire. She is full of top tips and we would really love it if you could join us for the event.

Parent Reading Workshop: Wednesday 1st March in the Junior School Hall — 2:45 to 3:15

Year One



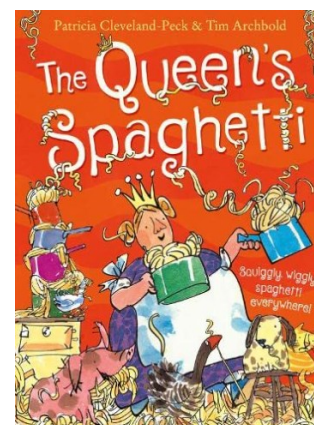
'I liked the part where Eliot flew his rocket.'

Harveer

'I like the pictures because they show Eliot saving the world!'

Wiktorina

Year Two



'I thought it was really funny that the spaghetti kept going everywhere!'

Evie

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

Website of the Week!lovereading4kids.co.uk

We really love this website because it gives us lots of ideas about what to read next. The website is always recommending different books through their 'star books' and 'staff picks' sections. They also share their monthly picks! Take a look for some inspiration.



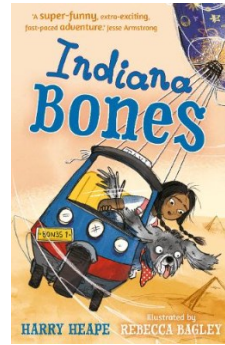
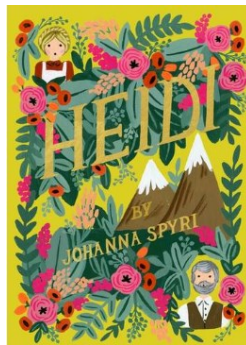
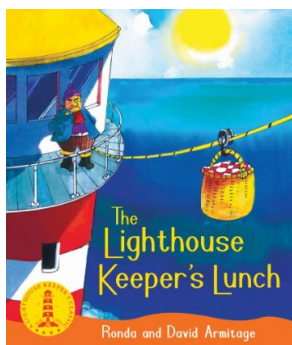
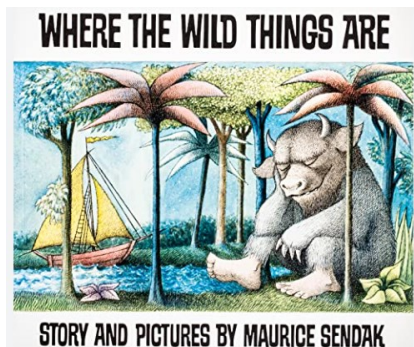
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National Storytelling Week 2023

From January 30th to February 5th this year, it is National Storytelling Week and we love nothing more than hearing that our children have been reading with their families, and have other people read to them.

Below are some of our recommended books that are a joy to read at home with all the family.



Our Teacher's Book Reviews

Mrs Nunes - The Twits by Roald Dahl

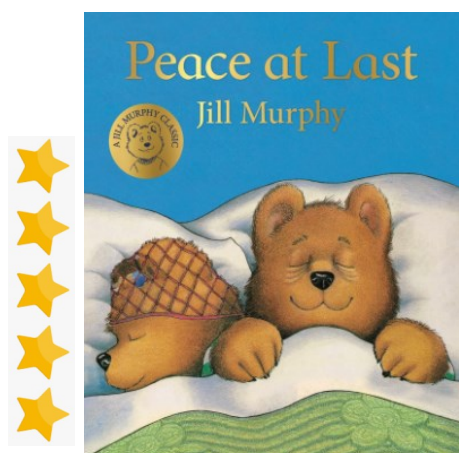
Do you like books that make you laugh? Then The Twits by Roald Dahl is for you!

This book is about a husband and wife who enjoy playing pranks on each other and being horrible to those around them, until one day, they get their comeuppance from a family of monkeys.

If you enjoy David Walliams books, then this book is for you. I have read this story to many of my classes as well as my own children and there are always giggles and anticipation for what will happen next. It is a great story to read independently or with your grown up. Year 3 and 4 children will most certainly love it.



Mrs Jones - Peace At Last by Jill Murphy



I have chosen to review Peace at Last written by Jill Murphy. Jill Murphy has written many children's books and this story is definitely a firm favourite of mine. I first read this book over 20 years ago to my own children and they always asked me to read it again and again. Since then I have read the story nearly every year to each new class I have taught. The story focuses on a family of bears; Mr Bear, Mrs Bear and Baby Bear. One particular evening daddy bear is struggling to fall asleep and so he embarks on a mission to try and find somewhere comfortable and quiet to sleep. Will he ever be able to peace at last! The familiar noises, repetition and beautiful illustrations make it the perfect story to snuggle up with before bedtime. I would recommend this book for younger children age 4-7 and I will certainly continue to read it each year with my new class.

Reading Discussion Starters: What is your favourite book of all time?

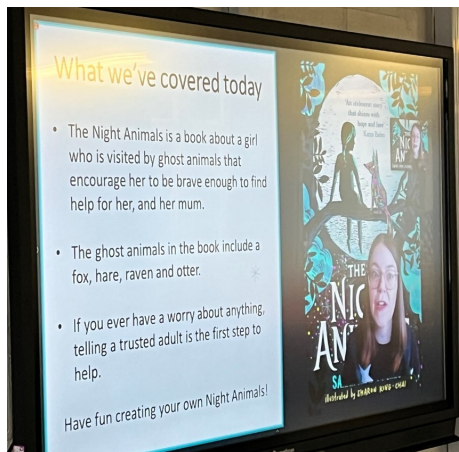
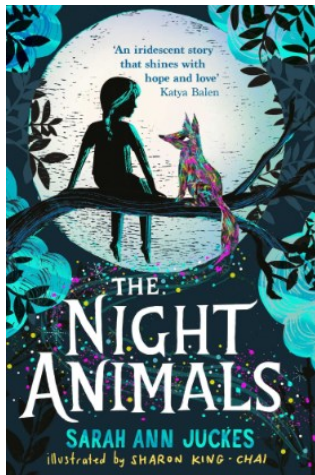
Why do you like this book so much?

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Waterstones Book of the Month — February

We were so very lucky to be able to take part in a recent live author visit involving the wonderful Sarah Ann Jukes. She told our KS2 children all about her beautiful book, 'The Night Animals'. We were even able to listen to her read an extract and are now desperate to read it ourselves. We can already see why it was chosen to be Waterstones Children's Book of the Month!

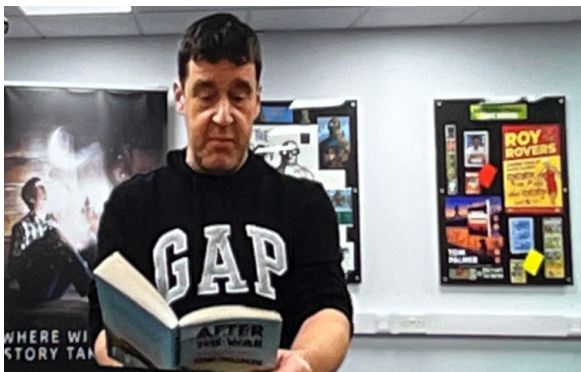
Mrs Marsh overheard Jake talking to his friend about being so inspired by the author that he went and bought the book and is loving it! That is what it is all about!



Some of our children were really excited to then draw their own 'Ghost Animals' and created some beautiful illustrations of them for an exciting Book Club task.



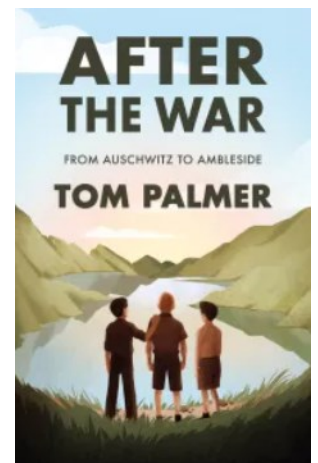
Samanta's beautiful illustration of her ghost phoenix. Just brilliant!



Tom Palmer reading us an extract of his book, 'After the War'. It sounded like a must read!

Live Author Visit Number 2

The year 6 children have had the pleasure of hearing the fantastic author Tom Palmer talk about his book, 'After the War'. A truly moving tale following the journey of three boys after World War II, Yossi, Leo and Mordecai, as they leave the horrors of Auschwitz and arrive in peaceful Ambleside in the Lake District. A very thought-provoking read.



Our Beautiful New Reading Areas

Have a look below at just a small selection of our new reading areas around school. When talking to the children, it is very clear that they are going to be well-loved and looked after. You can really feel the excitement of the children when they talk about reading in them!



Please have a look at the reading section on our school website for lots, lots more images of all the wonderful new reading areas around our school.

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