

I ♥ BOOKS



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# Reading Newsletter

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## Welcome to the Spring 2 Reading Newsletter

Welcome to this special Easter edition of our Reading Newsletter. Every half term we find out about the wonderful reading happening here in school and at home. You will also find more information about the many benefits of reading and the ways in which we can help the children with their reading outside of school.

## Class Reads

So you can talk about them at home, please see below some of the key texts we are enjoying in our classes right now.



Nursery



Reception

## Reading is...

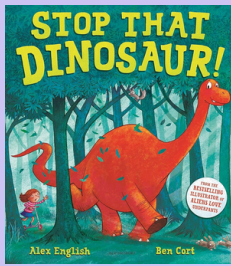
... being so excited about your new book that you just have to start reading before even finishing your lunch!

If you get any good photographs of you enjoying some reading during the Easter holidays, please share them with us – send them in and we will feature them in our next newsletter.

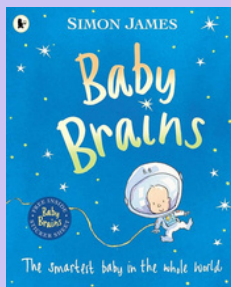
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– let's keep on inspiring each other!



## Class Reads



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6

## Book Talk

It's really important to talk to children about the books they read. These chats can happen at any time but will really help to develop the children's vocabularies, while also helping them to get excited about books, creating a lifelong love of reading!

In the 'Book Talk' section of each Reading Newsletter, we offer ideas of sentence starters and questions for these discussions.

If there was a sequel to the story, where or how might it begin?

## Benefits of Reading

As well as being a lovely way to spend some quality time with the children, there are so many benefits to reading and sharing stories with them. Based on extensive research, [this interactive resource](#) from the BookTrust highlights some of those benefits.

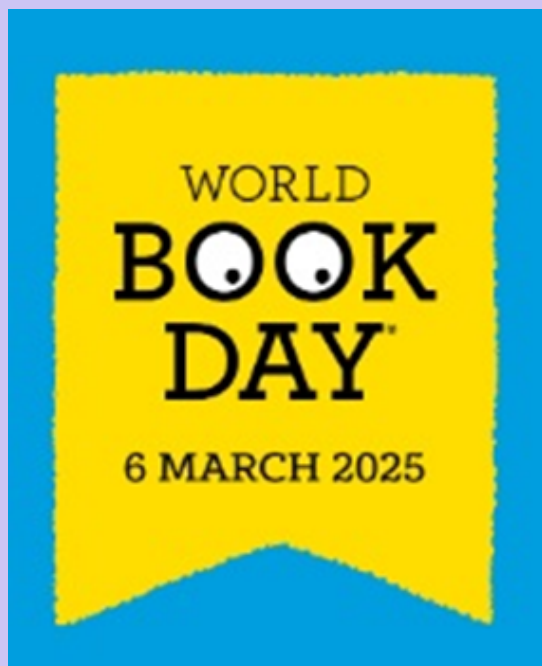


From babies to children in their early years and all the way through to early teens, reading brings profound and wide-ranging benefits that can have a lifelong positive impact on children's lives.

This interactive resource summarises the evidence of how reading benefits children. You can click through for headline findings or more detailed analysis and evidence.

The benefits of reading

# Reading Events - World Book Day



We had a fantastic day celebrating World Book Day this year, with children and staff coming into school dressed up as favourite characters or in comfy clothes, ready to cosy up with a good book! We got excited about all things books and reading, enjoying stories from different adults in school and visiting the special reading tent on the field. Children then took home their World Book Day vouchers and were excited to use them to purchase one of this year's books or to get a pound off another title.





# Recommended Reads

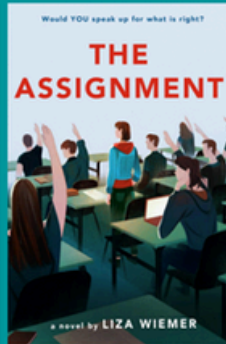
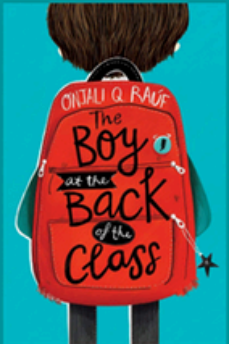


This edition of Recommended Reads comes from The Reader Teacher, a fantastic website dedicated to children's books with reviews and booklists for each year group. These titles are taken from the 'Top Three' section, which shares recommendations from children's authors on different themes such as friendship and rainforests. Each of the titles is available in our school library.



## TOP THREE

### CHILDREN'S BOOKS ABOUT FRIENDSHIP



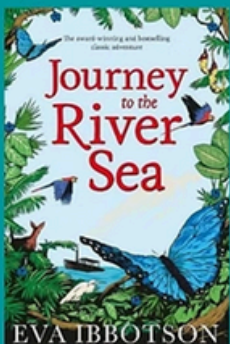
CHOSEN BY M. EVAN WOLKENSTEIN  
AUTHOR OF TURTLE BOY

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### CHILDREN'S BOOKS ABOUT THE AMAZON RAINFOREST



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AUTHOR OF MY NAME IS RIVER

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