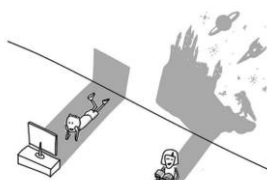


Reading Newsletter



That's a wrap on another fantastic year of reading.

Dorridge children continue to impress us with their love and enthusiasm for reading. Their eagerness to loan new releases, to share favourite books and to win the reading raffle, creates such a fantastic reading buzz around the school. We can't wait to hear all about their summer reads when we return in September. A **HUGE THANK YOU** to all of our volunteer parent/grandparent librarians who have helped to keep the library organised and open this year. We couldn't have kept it running so successfully without you. Read on for our summer recommendations and more

Well done to this term's raffle winners:

Reception: Emilia M, Vienna J & Jack K

Year 1: Theodore G, Eva H & Jude H

Year 2: Arlo G Emily W & Arjan P

Year 3: Sophie H, Jessica C & Grace S

Year 4: Charlie G, Persia V & Owen B

Year 5: Louisa P, Eva F-C & Edie S

Year 6: Zara M, Dave H, Orla S & Anwen O



Each winner has received a **£5 book token** to spend in Waterstones. Huge congratulations also to the **329 children** across the school who, as part of our celebratory reading assembly, received a certificate in recognition of reading consistently on at least 5 occasions each week.

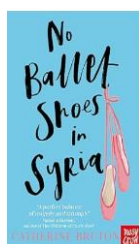
That means that we have given out an incredible 1,034 certificates in recognition of fantastic reading this year (70 more than last year – that's over 2 classes worth!). Well done!

Keep sharing the great books that you've read to inspire more readers among us.



No Ballet Shoes in Syria by Catherine

Bruton **Recommended by Elizabeth B (6P)**



If you haven't already read this, then it's a must summer read for all KS2 children. A story of migration, conservation, healing and hope. A modern classic full of warmth and humanity.

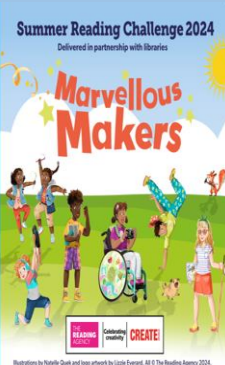
The Letter with the Golden Stamp by Onjali

Q. Rauf **Recommended by Miss Coughlan**



The ultimate page turner – I couldn't put it down.

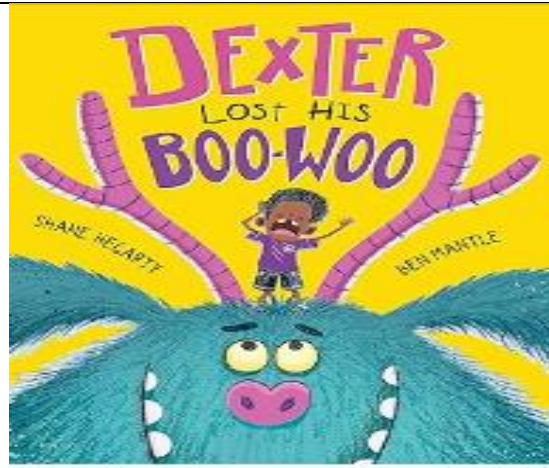
Deep in the heart of Swansea, Wales, lives a small girl with some big secrets to keep: Audrey is the sole carer of her increasingly sick mam and her 2 younger siblings ... or a seasoned thief. Inspired by her precious collection of stamps, Audrey realises that she must go on an adventure that will lead her to places – and hearts – that she never knew existed.



Don't forget that your local libraries will be running their Summer reading challenge.

Just pop by and start reading your way towards special rewards.

As an alternative, this year, you can also get involved digitally too.



EYFS

Dexter Lost His Boo-Woo by Shane Hegarty

'HELP! Dexter's lost his Boo-Woo. It's a scary sounding beast! It has fiery eyes and floppy ears, and twenty pointy teeth!'

Soon the whole town is on the hunt for the Boo-Woo ... Are YOU brave enough to join the search? Join police officers, firefighters and more in this gloriously illustrated, action-packed adventure with an unexpected twist about losing - and finding! - your favourite toy.

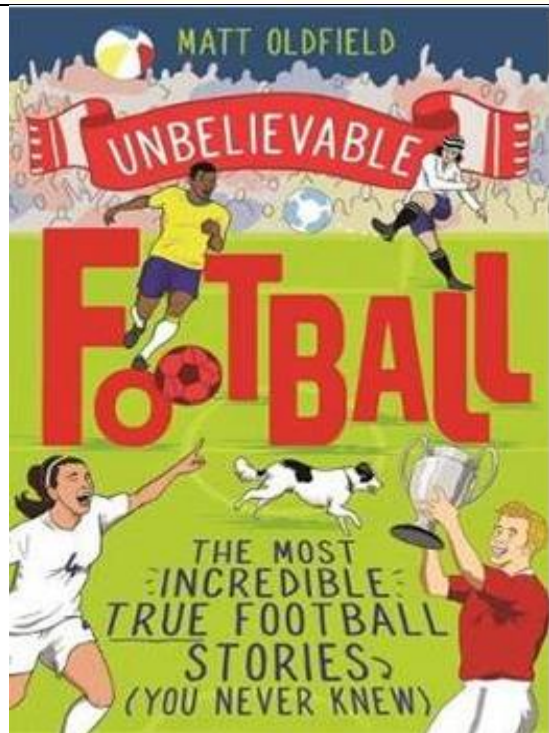


EYFS

Meet the Parents by Peter Bently and Sara Ogilvie's

You may think that your parents just boss you around and tell you what to do. And there's no getting away from it - they do have to do quite a lot of that! But there's so much more to them ... Did you realise that they are also tent poles for dens that are wonky, dustbins for bits you don't want to eat up and grandstands to make you grow tall?

Discover all the wonderful things that parents do in a glorious new edition of this fantastic picture book.



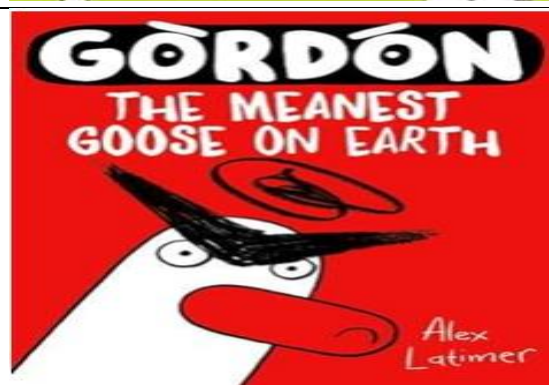
KS1

Unbelievable Football by Matt Oldfield

This collection of true football stories demonstrates that sport can unite, inspire and amaze in equal measure.

The book is divided into six sections, including "War and Peace", "Unbelievable Comebacks" and "Amazing Animals" – each of which contains a selection of remarkable soccer tales, from utterly ridiculous incidents to inspirational achievements.

Entertain your friends and family with a multitude of unbelievable soccer stories which are plucked from around the world and throughout history. This interesting, amusing and sometimes bizarre compilation, which can be read from cover to cover or dipped into at random, is sure to be a big hit with football fans.



KS1

Gordon The Meanest Goose on Earth by Alex Latimer

There are plenty of mean geese in the world, but Gordon is the meanest of them all. He stomps on sandcastles, knocks ice-creams out of hands and punches sharks.

He's the worst, and he loves it. Until one day, one act of kindness makes Gordon's world begin to crumble.



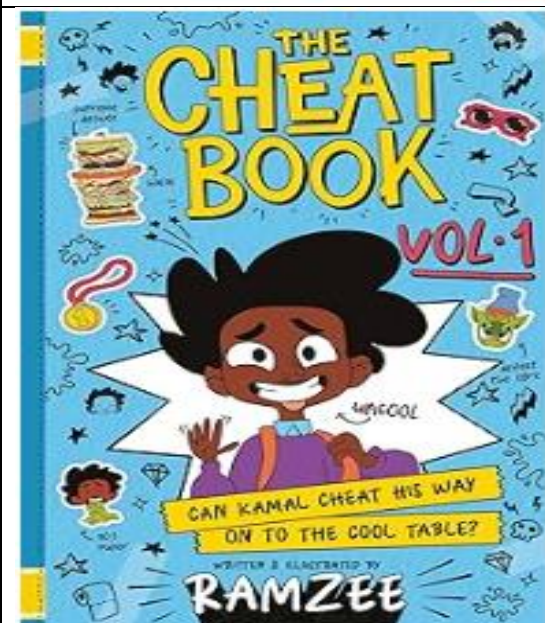
LKS2

Dungeon Runners Level 1 Hero Trial by Kieran Larwood

CALLING ALL DUNGEON RUNNERS - There's space for a new team of heroes.

Kit has dreamed of being a Dungeon Runner all his life, although being a gnorf (part gnome, part dwarf) means he's much smaller than the other competitors. But when a space opens up for a new team in the Dungeon Running League, Kit doesn't want to miss his chance to try out!

Are you ready for the games to begin? Welcome to the Dungeon!

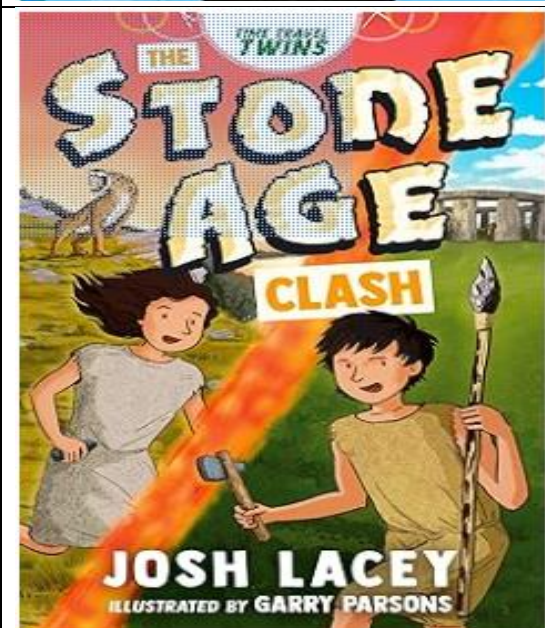


LKS2

The Cheat Book Vol.1 by Ramzee

Kamal is better than anyone else in his school at fading into the background. When you're a refugee and you've started a new school three times in as many years, you learn to keep your head down. But, after a major sickness incident in front of the whole school, being invisible is no longer an option. When Kamal finds a mysterious CHEAT BOOK in the library that promises to help him gain popularity, he sees a chance to finally make his mark and to become popular . . .

This hilarious guide to being 'too cool for school' (or just cool enough) will be a great hit for all Diary of a Wimpy Kid and Loki fans.



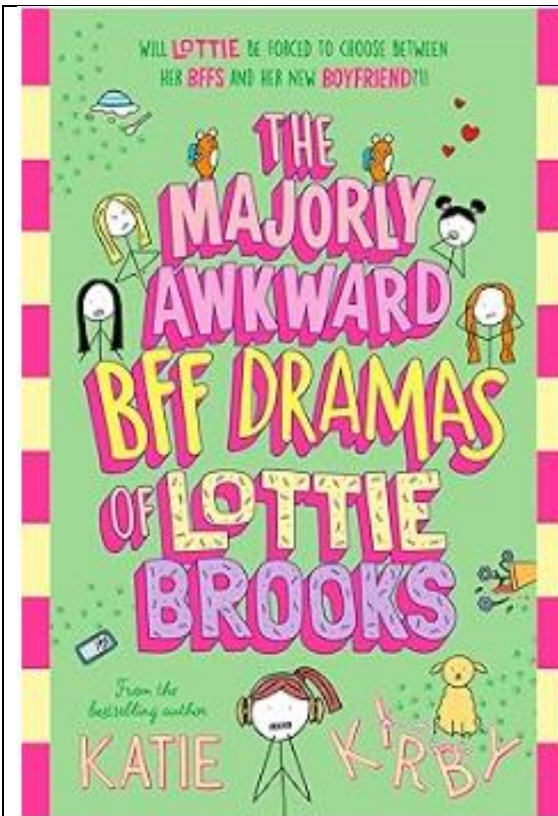
LKS2

The Stone Age Clash by Josh Lacey

Discover two sides of history with the Time Travel Twins!

Twins Scarlett and Thomas are learning about the Stone Age, so Grandad lets them use his time machine. Thomas wants to see a sabre-toothed tiger; Scarlett wants to see Stonehenge. They were thousands of years apart, what should they do? Go back in time twice of course!

From perilous encounters with Neanderthals and woolly mammoths, to being roped into a mysterious ancient ceremony, the twins will need to keep their wits about them to survive their visits to the Stone Age!



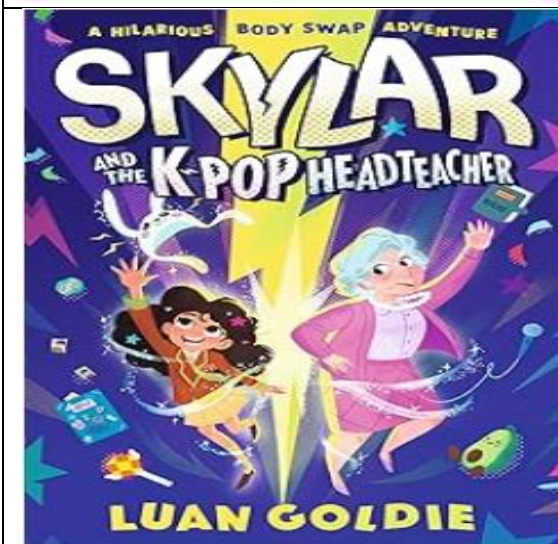
KS2

The Majorly Awkward BFF Dramas of Lottie Brooks by Katie Kirby release date 18th July.

I know that we already have a lot of Lottie Brooks fans in school. Just in time for summer, the next edition of the series is out.

At long last Lottie and Daniel are an official couple and everything seems to be going brilliantly (except for Amber being increasingly mean and jealous, but what's new there?). Meanwhile, Toby's new year's resolution is to get a dog, and for once Lottie and him see eye to eye. Pot Noodle, the cockapoo, becomes the newest member of the Brooks family. He's VERY cute but also not toilet trained AT ALL.

Lottie soon finds having a new boyfriend and a new dog means she has little time for anyone else, leaving her best friends pretty upset. How is Lottie meant to keep everybody happy and stop Pot Noodle from pooing on the carpet?!



KS2

Skylar K-Pop Headteacher by Luan Goldie

When 11-year-old K-pop obsessed Skylar inexplicably switches bodies with her super strict 71-year-old head teacher, she's thrown into a hilarious world of dancing old ladies gone viral and school rules thrown out the window. When she gets the chance to meet her favourite boyband in real life, Skylar must decide whether her K-pop dream coming true is worth risking being stuck as an old lady for ever...

A joyful and uplifting tale of friendship, fandom and chasing your dreams.



UKS2

The Girl Who Couldn't Lie by Radhika Sanghani

A fresh, funny story about white lies, brutal honesty and a bangle with special powers.

Priya Shah lies. A lot. She pretends everything in her life is perfect, so she doesn't disappoint anyone. But when she puts on a bangle left to her by her Ba - the one person she was always honest with - she finds herself unable to tell a lie. Priya is mortified. She tells her dad she hates his cooking and she tells Dan Zhang about her huge crush on him. She can't get the bangle off, and she can't stop the truths pouring out.

As more things go wrong, and Priya's truth-telling spirals out of control, can Priya learn to be honest without hurting the people she loves?

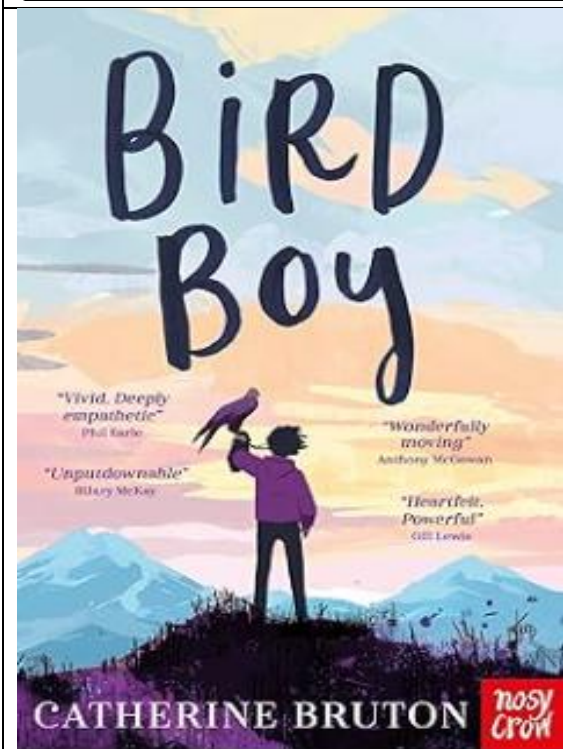


UKS2

Strange Tales by Daniel Morden

A boy who cannot feel fear... A girl pursued by a ghostly figure... Two sisters turned into beasts... A wild party where all the guests are skeletons...

To open these pages is to journey into a strange world where invisible beings move among us; animals speak, and luck, spells, fear and fortune are not to be treated lightly!



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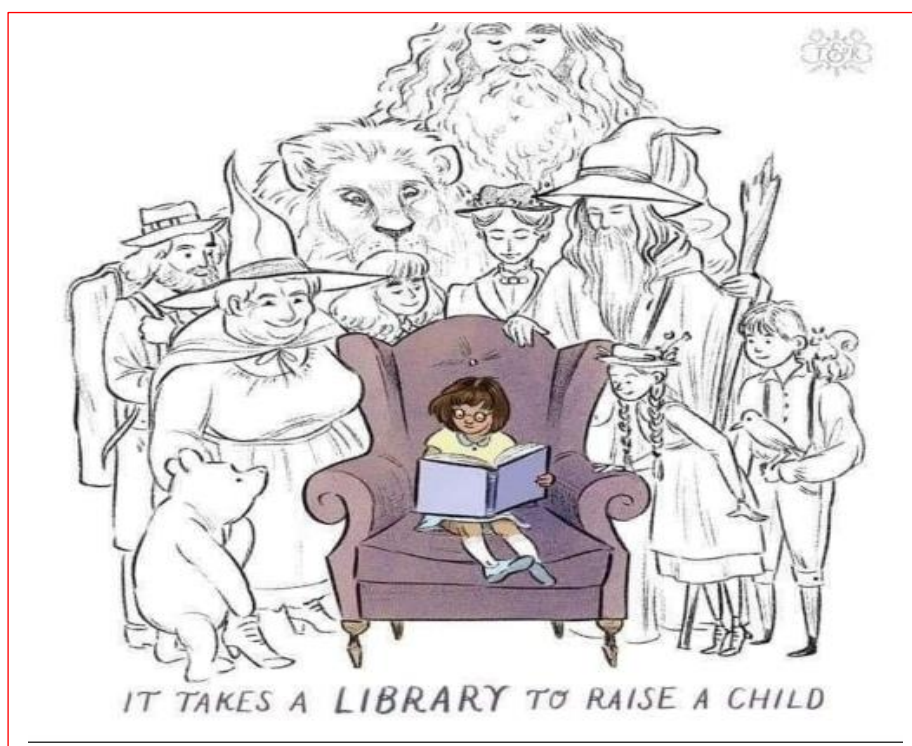
Bird Boy by Catherine Bruton

A story of migration, conservation, healing and hope as a grieving boy forms an unbreakable bond with an injured bird.

After the tragic death of his mother, 11-year-old Will is sent to temporarily stay with his uncle in the mountains.

With his new friend Omar - a refugee from Afghanistan - Will discovers an osprey nest, with two small chicks inside. He forms an unbreakable bond with the birds, especially the smallest. But when tragedy almost strikes again one stormy night, and Whitetip is knocked out of the nest - breaking a wing, Will is determined to save her.

As Will helps Whitetip to grow and to heal, he finds a strength inside himself that he never knew he had. Maybe, finally, Will can find a way to take flight too...

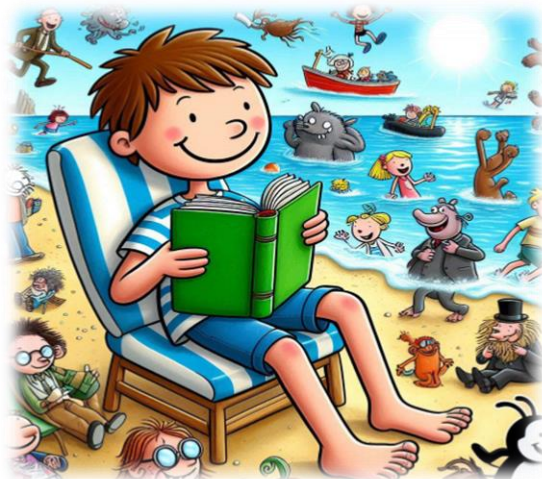




SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

CAN YOU COMPLETE THE 16 CHALLENGES IN THE HOLIDAYS?
NAME: _____ SCHOOL: _____

Who?	What?	When?	Where?
Read a book to someone younger than you	Read a comic / graphic novel	Read a book set in the past	Read a book set in another country
Read a book by an author you've not read before	Read a poetry collection	Read a book set in the future	Read a book that is set in a school
Read an author's first book	Read a book that a film/TV show is based on	Read a book before bedtime	Read a book in a reading den
Read a book by an author from a different country		Read a book when you first wake up	Read a book on a beach



CHEAT SHEET

What?

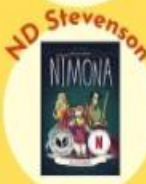
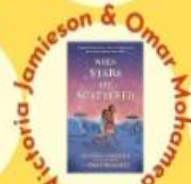
Start a brand new series of books

Read a comic / graphic novel

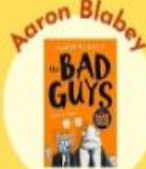
Read a poetry collection

Read a book that a film/TV show is based on

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CHEAT SHEET

Who?

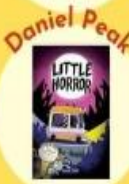
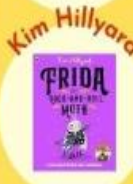
Read a book to someone younger than you

Read a book by an author you've not read before

Read an author's first book

Read a book by an author from a different country

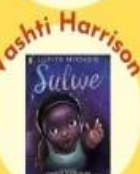
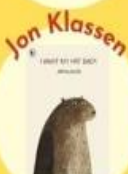
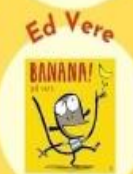
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CHEAT SHEET

When?

Read a book set in the past

Read a book set in the future

Read a book before bedtime

Read a book when you first wake up

9+



7+



4+



CHEAT SHEET

Where?

Read a book set in another country

Read a book that is set in a school

Read a book in a reading den

Read a book on a beach

9+



7+



4+





Earlier this term, we were delighted to hear that 21 of our children had been selected as prize winners in an art and poetry writing competition run by Solihull Children's Book Group (SCBG). As a school, we work closely with SCBG to read and vote on book awards throughout the year. The children thoroughly enjoy this responsibility and are always keen to volunteer to be a judge. SCBG have also donated many fantastic new book releases to us as a school over the years. SCBG wrote to express how impressed they were by our school's entries. So much so that they felt that they needed to award more gold and silver prizes. In fact, they thought that our entries (beyond our amazing winners) stood out as the very best school. For that reason, they awarded the whole school an extra special prize: an author visit in our school next year. Fantastic!



During Summer 2, our Year 6 librarians ran a book cover competition. They were inundated with entries and it was hard to select winners. In fact, they were so impressed that they requested that we sourced more prizes ☺. Well done to all of our winners across the school.



We are now in receipt of our very own school copy of the published book containing Elizabeth B's winning entry in a competition run by National Literacy Trust: Wicked Writers – Be The Change. Elizabeth's entry on how all of our actions and choices matter, was brave, thought provoking and a powerful reminder that we all have a responsibility to make a difference.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer break and lets keep on reading!

