



Redbourn Reading Round Up

Welcome to our first newsletter celebrating reading. We hope to use this to share how reading is being promoted in school. You will find out about the texts being used across school and any exciting reading related initiatives we are involved in, so that you can discuss them at home. We will also offer tips for reading with your child at home.

Look out for these each half term. They will also be saved on the website under the 'Our Curriculum' tab—within 'Reading'.

Some of the books we are using to teach reading:

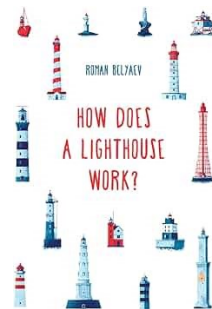
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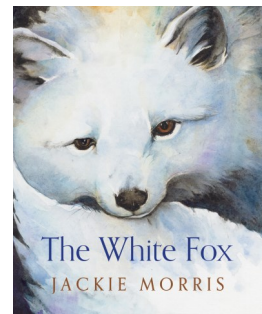
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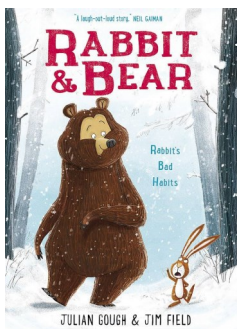
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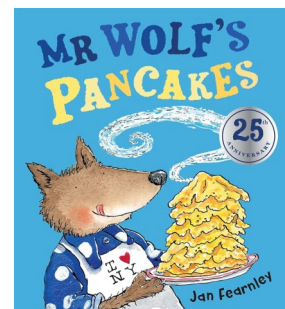
Year One



Reception



Nursery



Reading Records



Your child's reading record is a place to log the books that have been read at home and school. It's also a chance for you to see when your child has been taught to read at school, through group (Reception—Year 1) or individual (Year 2—6) reading.



When staff teach your child to read, they will add one of these stamps and their signature. They will not add a comment unless explicitly necessary. This allows them to spend more focused time teaching reading skills and assessing what your child needs to learn next. From Year 2 onwards, children are taught to read in four whole class reading sessions each week. Whilst this is not recorded in the Reading Record, children have the opportunity to record their work in their Reading Response Journal.

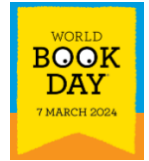
Please date and sign your child's record whenever they read at home, even if this is not their school book. You only need make a comment if there's something you'd like their class teacher to know about their reading.

Book Week—4th-8th March

Book Week is fast approaching and everyone at school is excited about this. Everyone is asked to bring their favourite book to school during this week, for class 'Stop and Read' Sessions. **Please ensure the books are named.**

There will be visits from Professor Pango Mango, paired reading with other classes in school and, of course the opportunity to dress up for World Book Day on **Thursday 7th March**. We can't wait to find out which book character is your child's favourite.

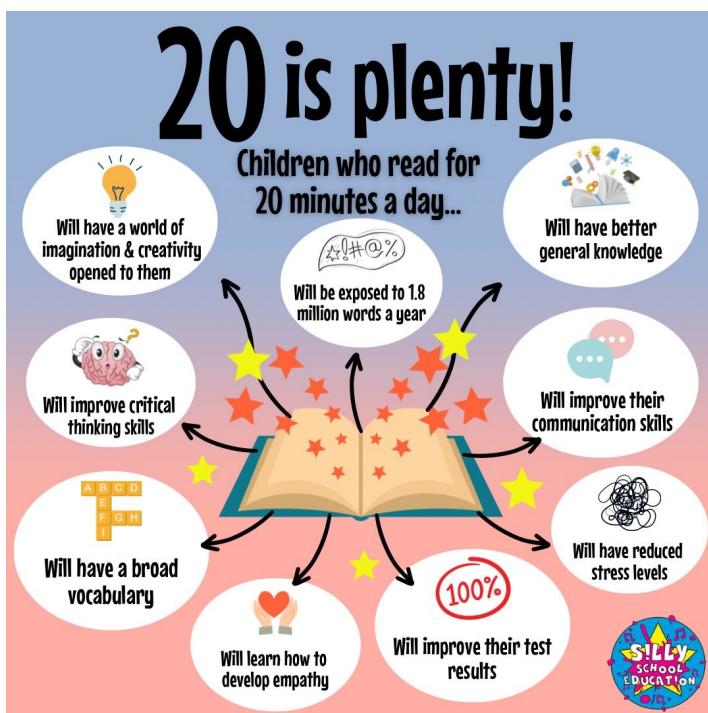
On World Book Day, children will come home with the voucher, which can be used in a range of shops to buy one of these special titles or towards £1 off any child's book.



Half Term Home Learning Challenges:

Photos reading in a random location— please email to admin, we will share these during Book Week. Children will have a book shelf image, where they can fill in the title (or draw front cover) of books they read between half term and the end of Book Week.

More information will be in the Headteacher Update on 16th February.



Reading at home includes:

- Hearing your child read their school book
- Reading to your child
- Sharing a book together at bedtime
- Sharing library books
- Using Reading Eggs
- Reading flashcards
- Listening to an audiobook
- Reading TV Subtitles

Things to talk about:

What did you think of this book?

Did you read or hear anything that made you think of something that has happened to you? Or another book or poem you have read?

If you could ask a question to anyone in the book, what would you ask?

Redbourn Reading Champions and Library Volunteers

Reading Champions will promote the activity of reading, rather than focusing on teaching reading skills. Reading Champions will work with children to promote reading in a range of ways. They may read books to individuals or small groups, listen to children read aloud, or help children select books to read. Reading Champions will have training on each of these aspects.

If you could commit to volunteering 30 minutes, one morning or more, from 8:50 each week, we would love to hear from you. You will be allocated a class or group based on your availability and the opportunities needed. We appreciate your understanding and support with this. Please email: admin@redbournprimary.co.uk with availability and to organise a DBS if needed.

We are also excited to invite you to volunteer in the Redbourn Primary School library! We are looking for parents and carers (including relatives such as grandparents, family friends and neighbours) to join our library working group to help support our students' love of reading and learning. If you are interested in volunteering in the library, please fill in the Microsoft Form via the link – [Click here to respond](#). The library working party will be happy to provide you with more information and the school will schedule a volunteer training session and relevant DBS checks.