



Thurston's Reading News

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Welcome to this issue of Thurston's Reading News.

Reading for pleasure continues to be a key focus within school and the children have been given information on what this means and some ideas about what they can do both at school and home. Linking to this, please keep sending in any books/comics/magazines that you no longer need.

Next half term, children will celebrate world book day – keep your eyes peeled for information on how we will be celebrating this day in school.

Happy reading!

Miss Earrye

Raising a reader – Top Tips

Re-read favourites

Most children love to hear their favourite stories over and over again.

Re-reading books provides an opportunity to hear or see something that may have been missed the first time and provides another chance to hear a favourite part. It also helps to develop a child's understanding of the story and the vocabulary that has been used.

IT ADDS UP!

If you read just 15 minutes a day, in one year you will have read over 1,000,000 words!

Source: Statisticbrain.com



Visit the library at lunchtime

Children can now access the school library at lunchtime. They are supported by some Year 6 pupils.

Vocabulary – why words matter

Language opens doors and helps children access and engage with the world. It also unlocks the world of reading, the imagination, the excitement of writing, the capacity to explore new subjects and releases our potential to learn and grow as individuals.

In school, we are currently working hard to expand the children's vocabulary by incorporating specific vocabulary lessons into our daily learning.

It is also really important to support the development of your child's vocabulary at home. Discuss the meaning of words; what other words have the same or similar meaning; talk about what the word makes them think about....

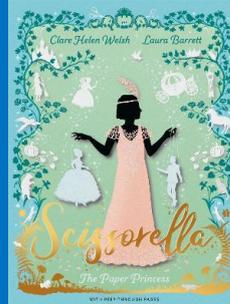
Mrs Green's story club

Over the last two half terms, children have been reading a different book each week and then making different things to take home with them to help them retell the story. Characters from Room on the Broom have been made from lollipop sticks, story maps of The Tiger Who Came To Tea have been drawn and the characters from Funny Bones have been assembled!



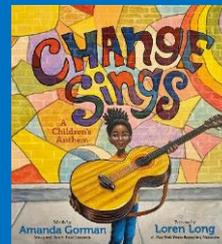
Top Texts!

The must read books published in 2021 and books to look forward to in 2022 - a look ahead at the books set to be published in the next few months.



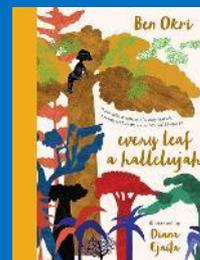
Scissorella – Mill worker Lotte, scorned by her siblings, cuts elegant puppets out of paper, trusting hard work over happy endings – until she's invited to a ball, and meets a prince who loves puppets too.

Recommended for EY/KS1



Change sings – A girl urges her community to action via small kindnesses and courageous words.

Recommended for all!



Every leaf a hallelujah – The Guardian's Children's book of the year 2021. An environmental fairy tale made for our times.

Recommended for KS2



Hedgewitch – The first in a five-book series of a middle grade fantasy.

Recommended for KS2
Published April 2022



When the war came home – The book explore the impact of WW1 on some of the survivors – both soldiers and civilians.

Recommended for UKS2
Published 6th Jan 2022

World Book Day 2022



Next half term, will see us celebrate 25 years of World Book Day.

Before the big day, children will receive their £1 book token. 2022's books look great so don't forget to spend your token or put it towards another book of your choice.



On Thursday 3rd March, children will be able to dress up as a word. For more details please refer back to the weekly newsletter dated 28th January 2022. Some ideas can be found below. They will also be taking part in World Book Day activities.

