



Latymer All Saints Primary School

READING NEWSLETTER

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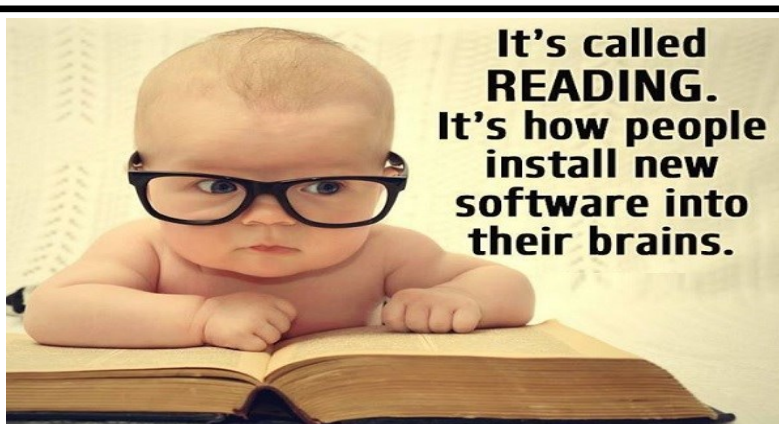
WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER!

A very warm welcome to our brand new Latymer All Saints Reading Newsletter! We hope you will really enjoy reading all about what we are doing to promote reading for pleasure at school and at home. Our aim is to publish the Reading Newsletter once every term. We will also be providing recommendations on great new books for children across the school and sharing information about wonderful authors and illustrators, who are producing great new stories! We really hope you enjoy this new initiative!

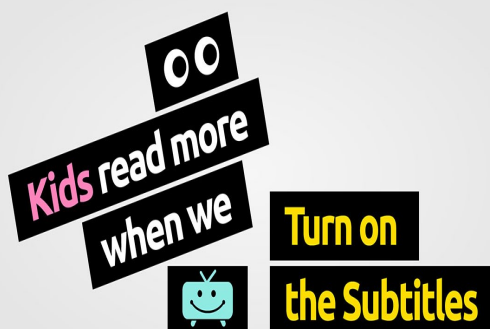
'We learn to read so that we may read to learn, but more important is to learn a love of reading.'

-Orin Cochrane

- Children who read at least 20 minutes a day are exposed to almost 2 million words per year.
- Research from The National Literacy Trust highlights—'if a child does not learn to read well when young, they can turn away from education as they get older, get poor qualifications and struggle in the world of work'.



**It's called
READING.
It's how people
install new
software into
their brains.**



It's so brilliantly simple!

Turning on the subtitles while children are watching television can double the chances of a child becoming good at reading. It's so brilliantly simple and can help children's literacy.

Go to <https://turnonthesubtitles.org> for more information.

Promoting Reading for Pleasure at Home

Why do it?

There is strong evidence that links reading for pleasure and educational outcomes; research suggests that reading for 30 minutes a week increases health and wellbeing. Reading for pleasure has been found to improve our confidence and self-esteem, providing the grounding we need to pursue our goals and make life decisions. Reading for pleasure helps us to understand our own identities, improves empathy and gives us an insight into the world view of others.

How can parents/carers help?

As adults, we read all of the time but children often don't see us doing this or are unaware we are actually reading. We need to make sure that children see that we are reading and why we are doing it.

The things that we read fall into 2 categories

- Reading to inform e.g. the news/recipes/instruction manuals
- Reading for pleasure e.g. fiction books..

When reading, take the time to explain to your children what you are reading and why you are reading it. This will normalise the behaviour in the house and children will see it as an option of something to do rather than something they have to do for school.

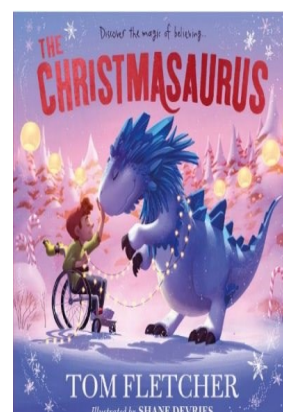


" A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies . . . The man who never reads lives only one. "

EYFS RECOMMENDATION!

The Christmasaurus by Tom Fletcher

The Christmasaurus wants more than anything to be able to fly, and help pull Santa's sleigh across the sky at Christmas-time. But flying turns out to be a lot harder than he thought, even with Santa's help! One special Christmas, however, he falls down a chimney and meets a dinosaur-obsessed little boy who teaches him the magic of believing...

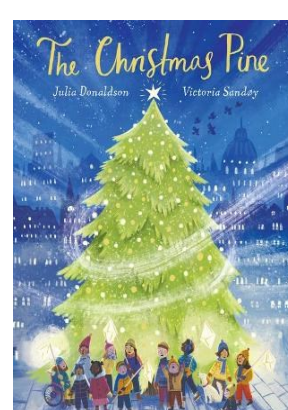


KS1 RECOMMENDATION!

The Christmas Pine by Julia Donaldson

A Christmas tree tells how it grew in a Norwegian forest and was eventually chosen to be the tree to stand in Trafalgar Square.

Deep in a snowy wood stands a little pine tree with a special destiny: when it grows up, it's going to be the famous Christmas tree in Trafalgar Square!



LKS2 RECOMMENDATION!

The Christmas Pig by J.K. Rowling

One boy and his toy are about to change everything. Jack loves his childhood toy, Dur Pig. DP has always been there for him, through good and bad. Until one Christmas Eve something terrible happens – DP is lost. But Christmas Eve is a night for miracles and lost causes, a night when all things can come to life... even toys. And Jack's newest toy – the Christmas Pig (DP's annoying replacement) – has a daring plan: Together they'll embark on a magical journey to seek something lost, and to save the best friend Jack has ever known...

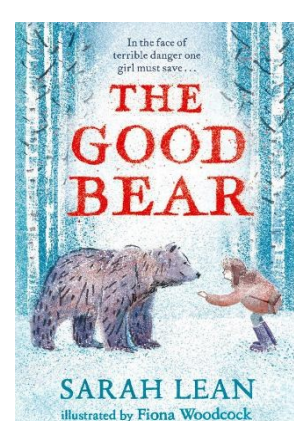


UKS2 RECOMMENDATION!

The Good Bear by Sarah Lean

It's the Christmas holidays and Thea is looking forward to spending them with her father. She can tell him all about her plans to become a writer, and maybe he'll buy her the typewriter she's been dreaming of.

But when Thea arrives in snowy Norway, everything feels... wrong. Her father is as distant as ever and now she has to share him with his new family: his girlfriend Inge and her children. Then Thea makes a surprising discovery. Deep in the snowy woods by the house, is a bear. He's scared and hungry and he desperately needs Thea's help...



COMPETITION TIME!

Name the famous children's book from a close-up of its cover!!!



- Green Eggs and Ham
- Where the Wild Things Are
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?



- If You Give a Mouse a Cookie
- Goodnight Moon
- Guess How Much I Love You
- The Cat in the Hat



- Charlotte's Web
- Olivia
- Little House on the Prairie
- Babe

Answers

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

The Cat in the Hat

Charlotte's Web