

# Reading News

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## Upcoming Events

- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November Last day for Usborne book orders
- All through November -Nursery's 45 Bedtime Story Challenge
- Library Van in Pegswood 8th of December from 15:45 to 16:45
- 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan Percy the Park Keeper Winter Walk at Cragside, Rothbury.

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# This Week in school...

This week the Nursery children have enjoyed the story and song 'Walking through the jungle'. They have enjoyed learning about different jungle animals and the sounds they make and moving like some of the animals. They have shared Andy's adventures of jungle animals. Year 2 are reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We really like all the characters, especially Charlie! The children have also been reading on Bug Club Independent in school this week. This week, Year 1 have been looking at the brilliant book 'Oi Frog'. We all gave it a big thumbs up because it is funny! We will use this to do some rhyming of our own next week. This week, Reception has read yet another story with a bad wolf character, Little Red Riding Hood. We thought it was unfair as the poor wolf is always portrayed as bad so the children enjoyed reading 'There is no Big Bad Wolf in this Story,' which demonstrates just how important his character is and without him there would be no story to tell. The children would definitely recommend this as they have requested to read this over and over again. Year 6 are learning how to write a balanced discussion text so they have read lots of factual information about zoos this week. Year 5 have used their love of Goth Girl to inspire their own writing this week. They have created new parts of the story and looked at how the author uses dialogue to show us more of the character's personality. This week Year 3 have performed their own poems to their peers, who have completed a peer assessment of their performance. We have also started our Autobiography unit and read a biography about Sir David Attenbourgh. This week Year 4 have been comparing two characters from two different books: Christophe from 'Christophe's Story,' and David from 'Friend or Foe,' by Michael Morpurgo.

# Christmas Competition

Fancy winning a bundle of books just in time for Christmas? (Well, 3 actually one for Early Years, one for Key Stage 1 and one for Key Stage 2!)

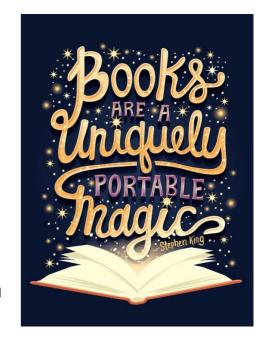
It's very simple! All you have to do is complete this sentence,

#### I love to read because...

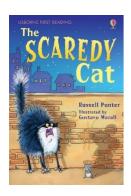
Younger children can talk to a grown up and have their answer written down with support. Older children should expand their sentences to include as much detail as possible.

Completed sentences should be sent in to class teachers before Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December and the winner will be announced in the 10<sup>th</sup> of December reading newsletter.

You can present your sentences in any way you choose... as long as I can read it clearlu!



# Fiction Book Ideas for 6ifts



#### **Scaredy Cat** By Jeannie Willis & Tony Ross

The humorous story of Stanley the scaredy cat told with elements of repetition to help beginner readers develop confidence and reading stamina. Stanley is a cat who's scared of everything, so a dark house full of strange noises is the last place he wants to be. But Stanley must face his fears to save the day.

(Available via our Usborne partnership Pegswood Primary Library)

### Billy and the Mini Monsters - Monsters Go Green by Zanna Davidson

Billy is learning how to take care of the planet, and the Mini Monsters want to help too... so they join the school trip to the recycling centre. But what will happen when Gloop falls into the recycling machine? Another laugh-out-loud Billy and the Mini Monsters story, with a strong underlying message about looking after the planet.

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Aveline is thrilled when she discovers that the holiday cottage her mum has rented for the summer is beside a stone circle. Thousands of years old, the local villagers refer to the ancient structure as the Witch Stones, and Aveline cannot wait to learn more about them. Then Aveline meets Hazel. Impossibly cool, mysterious yet friendly, Aveline soon falls under Hazel's spell. In fact, Hazel is quite unlike anyone Aveline has ever met before, but she can't work out why. Will Aveline discover the truth about Hazel, before it's too late? (Available via our Usborne partnership Pegswood Primary Library )

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This is one of our superstar Year 6 pupils. She read a book that she really enjoyed called 'The 1000year-old Boy' by Ross Welford. She wrote a brilliant book review about it and now she is going to have her blurb about the book displayed in Waterstones, Morpeth. Fantastic work!

If you want to have a go at this, simply write a super review and hand it to Mrs Sligo. You never know, it could be you next!



A huge well done to Emily H in Year 2, who has **Independent** read 17 books online in the last month.