



Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

September Reading Newsletter

Mrs Heald is reading: *Scrap* by Guy Bass. The front cover intrigued me so I 'borrowed' it from the year 3 and 4 reading for pleasure bookshelf!

Welcome!

Welcome to our September edition of our Reading Newsletter. I am so excited for this new school year which I hope will be as amazing as last year. We have lots of reading themed plans for this year which I know the children across school will enjoy. I am looking forward to sharing books with you all this year and getting some good quality book talk going!

Our reading newsletter will also be accompanied by a writing newsletter every other month starting in October this year - let me know what you think!

School Reading News

Wow! We are very lucky to have a whole new set of reading for pleasure books in school. These are located in the library and are ready for children to borrow. These books are truly beautiful and we hope that the children enjoy them and take care of them.



Reading Ambassadors

Welcome to our new Reading Ambassadors for this year. They are already very keen and have started their new roles already! We know that they will continue to support our children with their love of reading throughout the year and they look forward to working with staff and children across school.



Our Amazon Wish List

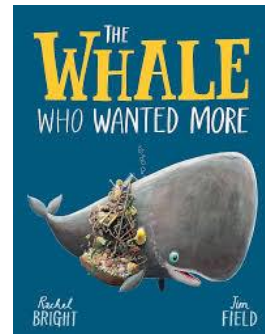
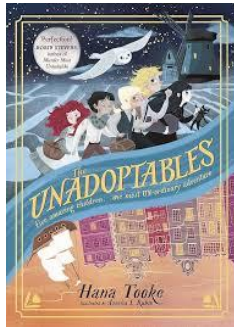
We have recently updated our Amazon wish list due to another roof leak in the library! There is no expectation for a contribution but if you would like to purchase a book on our behalf, we would be very grateful.

Please see below for the link

<https://amzn.eu/gW01ELw>

Books of the Month

This month our books of the month are all taken from our brand-new reading for pleasure books which can be found in our library.



20 is plenty!

Children who read for 20 minutes a day...

Will have a world of imagination & creativity opened to them

Will have better general knowledge

Will be exposed to 1.8 million words a year

Will improve critical thinking skills

Will improve their communication skills

Will have a broad vocabulary

Will have reduced stress levels

Will learn how to develop empathy

Will improve their test results



Reading is so important for children for a wide variety of reasons. Children are encouraged to read for just 20 minutes per day as there are so many benefits.

There is no such thing as a child who does not like reading, it is just that they may not have found the right book!

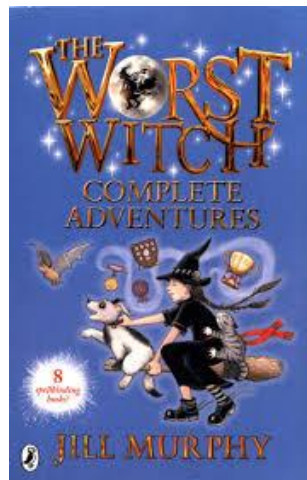
Children who may find themselves in this situation, please see Mrs Heald or the Reading Ambassadors and we will be happy to help you to find a book you will love. In the meantime, keep trying the different texts from the 50 recommended reads for your year group - they will help you to find a type of book you like!

September's Guest Speaker

Mrs Wood - Parent Support Advisor and Pupil Wellbeing Officer

Mrs Wood has kindly offered to be our guest speaker for September.

My love for reading started when I was a little girl, I used to love sitting and reading fairy tales with my Nanny. As I grew older, I particularly enjoyed reading 'The Worst Witch' books by Jill Murphy; I enjoyed being transported into the world of make believe and magic. When my children were younger, books surrounded them, it was always my favourite part of the day reading a bedtime story and something I miss now they are older.



My family now torment me, especially when we are on holiday, I just love to read and will often read three or four books in just one week!

As Parent Support Advisor and Pupil Wellbeing Officer, I will often use books to support children and families. One of my favourite books and most used and shared, is a book called 'The Invisible String' by Patrice Karst. I believe this beautifully illustrated book should be in everyone's home, it clearly explains the power of love and connections.

