



# Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

## November Reading Newsletter

Mrs Heald is now reading:  
**Finding Bear - The next book in the Hannah Gold Series**  
It follows the story from *The Last Bear* and it's brilliant already!

### Welcome!

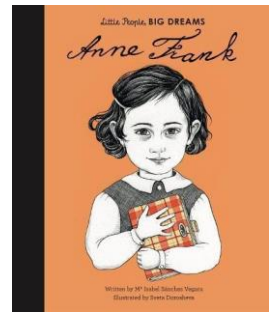
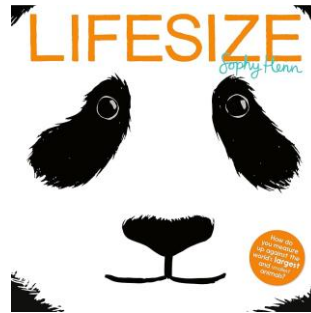
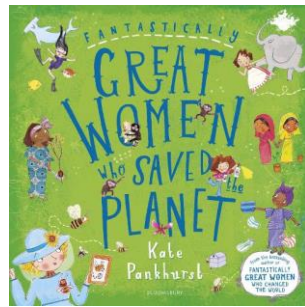
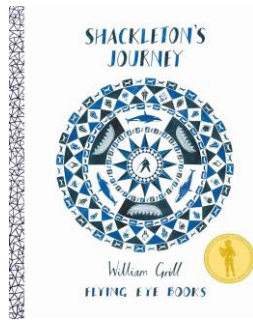
Well, November has passed too quickly! We hope you were able to find time to enjoy some of your favourite books or some that may have been in your 'to be read' pile for some time.

### Non-Fiction November

November has been non-fiction month - a chance to celebrate the wonderful non-fiction texts that we have both in school and at home.

Research shows that providing pupils with the opportunity to read and explore non-fiction plays a vital role in helping them to learn about their world, as well as fostering reading for pleasure.

Here are some of my favourite non-fiction texts that I would recommend and I know that we have in school already.



### The 50 Recommended Reads are spreading!

We are very lucky to have finally purchased the 50 recommended reads for Nursery, Foundation Stage 2, Year 1 and Year 2! Nursery and Reception will use these texts in school to expose children to a wide range of high-quality texts. Year 1 and Year 2 children may be able to borrow one so make sure that you take care of it and return it when you have finished reading and let Mrs Heald know if you are enjoying them.



### Our Amazon Wish List

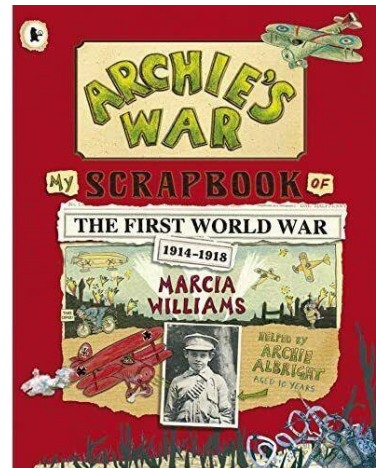
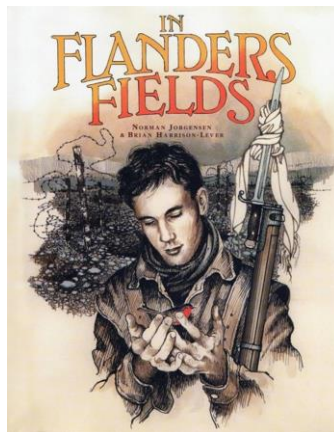
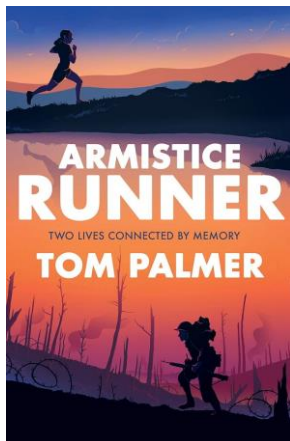
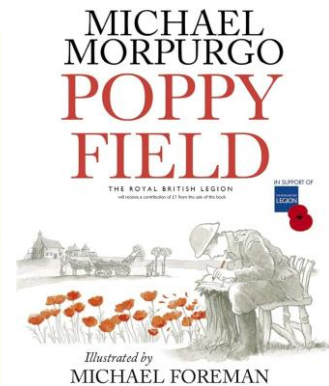
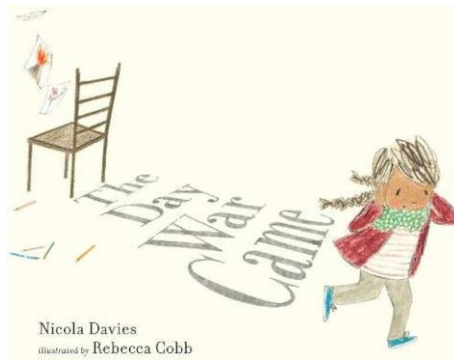
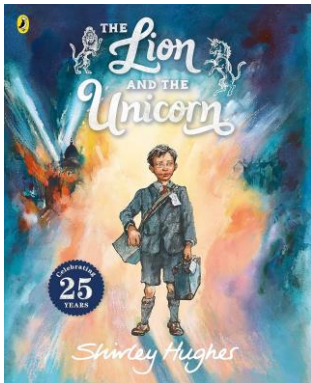
Due to a leak in our school library, some of our books have been damaged and therefore we have added a few more to our Amazon wish list. There is no expectation for a contribution but if you would like to purchase a book on our behalf, we would be very grateful.

Please see below for the link

<https://amzn.eu/gW01ELw>

### Books of the Month

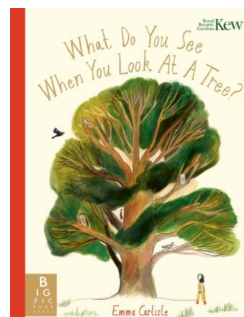
This month our books of the month have been themed around Remembrance. Lest We Forget.



### School Reading News

Most classes have enjoyed some wonderful author events this term so far. There is just one more event left this term!

**Year 1 and 2** will take part in an event with the wonderful Emma Carlisle in a paint along session! Beautifully written and illustrated by the award-winning artist Emma Carlisle, *What Do You See When You Look At a Tree* includes mindfulness tips and information about trees at the back of the book for both adult and child to read together.



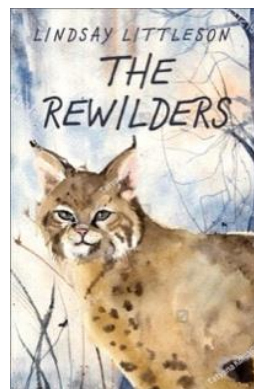
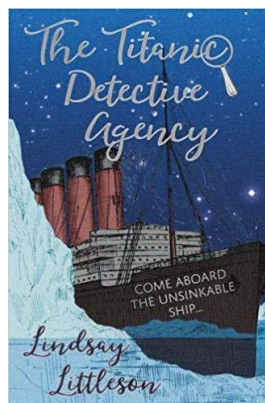
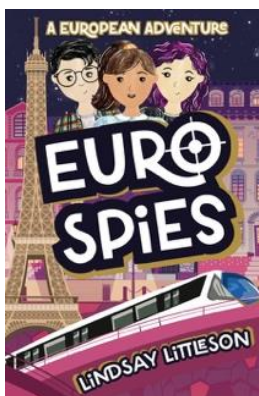
## November's Guest Author

To everyone at Holy Rood Catholic Primary School,

I hope you have all settled quickly into your new classes and are looking forward to discovering wonderful stories this year. You are very lucky that there are so many brilliant children's books around nowadays. Which is your favourite genre? If you haven't found your favourite book yet, keep looking!

I have been a published author since April 2015, when I won the Kelpies Prize for my first novel, *The Mixed-Up Summer of Lily McLean*. I actually decided when I was about eight years old that I wanted to be a children's author, but it took me a very long time to feel brave enough to send my work to publishers.

If you are interested in becoming an author, don't be like me. Enter competitions and get your writing in front of an audience. Be confident and don't give up. Keep practising and improving and you will get there. Being a published author doesn't happen without hard work, but if you really, really want something, you have to do your absolute best to make it happen!



Best wishes,

Lindsay Littleton