

Welcome to the first edition of our Reading newsletter! Here you will be able to see what exciting reading activities the children have been taking part in this term, as well as being able to find any updates and information about reading enrichment activities at St Bede's.

What a wonderful start to the year!



The children have taken part in lots of fun reading activities this term including Puffin's virtual author visits. We were lucky enough to be able to beam some fantastic authors right into our classrooms and learn all about their brilliant books.

KS1 thoroughly enjoyed listening to Nick Sharratt's new story, "Oh no! Shark in the snow!" They had lots of fun joining in with the story and learning how to draw some of his characters from the book.

Year 4 had the pleasure of listening to Maddie Moate discuss her new book 'Stuff', finding out the fascinating stories behind the 'stuff' in her book and Year 5 have listened to Jacqueline Wilson discussing her new book 'The Primrose Railway Children' as well as her answering questions sent in by her fans.



National Poetry Day

The children had a fantastic week in October celebrating National Poetry Day. After reading, reciting and writing their own pieces, we were able to celebrate together in a whole school assembly. They all performed brilliantly!



Mystery READER

Mystery readers are special guests who join us via Zoom to read the children a story. Mystery readers can be parents, grandparents, older siblings or other relatives and the children adore seeing a familiar face pop up on the screen. If you would like to volunteer to be a mystery reader for your child's class, then please contact their class teacher. Remember to keep it a secret! The surprise is all part of the fun!



Well done to all of the children who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge this year. Fantastic news! There is also a Winter Challenge!

All details of how to sign up for the Winter Mini Challenge can be found [here](#). It is running from Tuesday 1st December 2021 until Friday 19th February 2022 but you can start at any time that you like. Have fun!



Are you a member of your local library? Cheshire Libraries have made it easier for you to sign up. You can register yourself and your family online. Once you have received your library card number, you will be able to access a range of free audiobooks, eBooks, eMagazines and eResources!

For more information about what's on offer at your local library, visit [Cheshire East Libraries](#) and [Cheshire West and Chester Libraries](#) or follow them on Twitter [@CELibraries](#) and [@cwaclibraries](#).



All children in Key Stage One have a login for the [Oxford Owl website](#), which can be found in their green reading journal. When they log on to the site, they can access a range of eBooks that have been carefully selected by their teacher to help them with their reading. Books are set weekly in Reception and Year One, so please log on if you can and have a look.

Recommended Reads

Each term, some of our Reading Ambassadors, along with a member of staff will be sharing their recommended reads. Perhaps you will choose one as your next reading book!

Age 1+



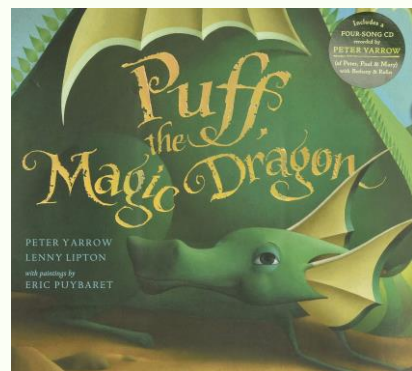
'The Pirates Are Coming' is a fantastic book for younger children to listen to and lots of fun for adults to read aloud to their little ones. Think 'The Boy Who Cried Wolf' but with pirates!
A lovely, fun book to share with the family.

Mrs Mullins



I would recommend 'Puff the Magic Dragon' because it is a song and Puff makes lots of friends. Puff lives by the sea and lives in a lava covered home. Puff has a lot of friends. His best friend is Jackie Paper and he also meets a little girl. It is a great story.

Henry Y2



Age 5+



Age 9+



If you like adventure, family and friends, then I would recommend 'Rooftoppers' by Katherine Rundell because the main character, Sophie, is wild and funny even when she is feeling sad. It is crazy and full of mystery!

Hannah Y6



Useful Links

[Books for Topics Online Story Time](#)

A great site to find age appropriate books and listen to authors reading their own stories!

[Book Trust](#)

They have a great book finder tool to help you find books of interest for all ages and abilities.



Dates for your diary

30/01/22 – National Story Telling week. We will be celebrating stories in school and it would be great to have some mystery readers to help us out!

03/03/22 – World Book Day.