



Reading Newsletter

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Welcome to the autumn edition of our Mortimer Primary School Reading Newsletter!

As always, we welcome and appreciate all donations of good-quality, used books.

Early Reading Meetings

If your child is in Reception or key stage 1, we hope that you were able to join us at one of our reading meetings.

We shared information about how we teach your children to read and the ways in which you can support them at home.

As always, if you have any queries about your child's reading, please don't hesitate to speak to their class teacher.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, information will be made available online shortly afterwards.

Read Write Inc.

We are very excited to announce that we are officially a Read Write Inc. school.

Read Write Inc. is a phonics and early reading programme, which is approved by the government. Our entire staff have recently been trained to deliver the scheme and it will now be our primary approach to teaching the basics of reading.



Over the coming months, you may notice some changes in the way we are teaching your children to read, and in the books and resources they are taking home with them.

This is a big change for us as a staff and we are keen to involve you all in the process. We will be keeping you regularly up-to-date with information and support materials.

Reading Champions

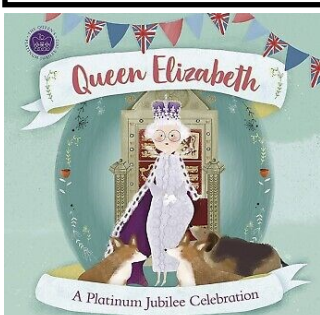
With the new term, we are once again looking forward to celebrating our champion readers up and down the school.

In EYFS and key stage 1, one child in each class will be chosen each week to take home our bedtime story backpack—complete with a book, cuddly reading buddy and a suppertime treat!

In key stage 2, our Reading Champions assemblies will be starting again this half term. A child from each class will be nominated by their teacher for showing effort and enthusiasm in reading. One lucky champion will take home a £10 book voucher!

Remembering Queen Elizabeth


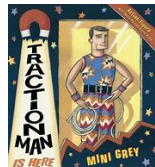
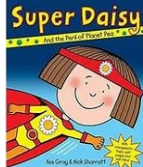
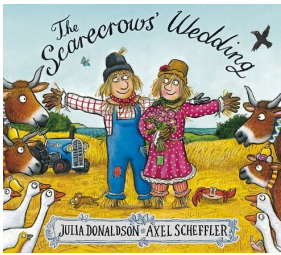
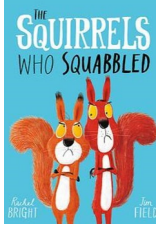
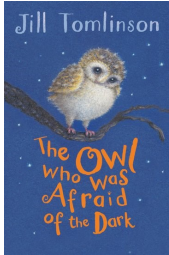
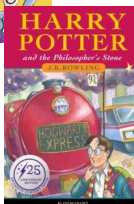
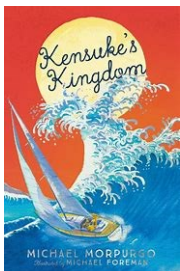
Last term, every school child in the country received a copy of a special book commissioned by Queen Elizabeth to commemorate her platinum jubilee. Given her recent death and the coverage in the news, now might be an ideal time to have a look through the book together and reflect on the extraordinary life led by our Queen.



What we are reading at school...

In English this half term, each year group will be studying core themes or texts. If your child already has this text at home or you want to take the opportunity to build their book collection, we welcome children in Y2—Y6 bringing in their own copies. All we ask is that books have your child's name and class written on the inside cover, and children resist the temptation to read ahead at home! We don't want to spoil any surprises! Books can remain in school for the duration of the topic.

In EYFS and KS1, we encourage children to bring in similar books or texts linked to the theme they are learning about or have found particularly enjoyable at home.

<p>Nursery</p> <p>Traditional Tales</p>    <p>Winter Celebrations</p>	<p>Reception</p> <p>Superheroes</p>    <p>Winter Celebrations</p>  
<p>Year 1</p> <p>Emotions</p>  <p>Autumn</p> 	<p>Year 2</p> <p>The Squirrels who Squabbled Rachel Bright</p>  <p>Otto Blotter Bird Spotter Graham Carter</p> 
<p>Year 3</p> <p>Flat Stanley Jeff Brown</p>  <p>The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark Jill Tomlinson</p> 	<p>Year 4</p> <p>Beowulf Michael Morpurgo</p>  <p>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe C. S. Lewis</p> 
<p>Year 5</p> <p>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Roald Dahl</p>  <p>Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone J. K. Rowling</p> 	<p>Year 6</p> <p>Kensuke's Kingdom Michael Morpurgo</p>  <p>Street Child Berlie Doherty</p> 