

Reading for Pleasure: Newsletter #2

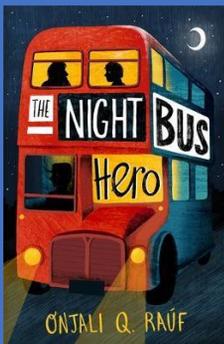


Welcome to East Boldon Juniors' second Reading for Pleasure newsletter. I hope you find enjoyment and inspiration!

Reviews and Recommendations

I have recently read and thoroughly enjoyed *The Night Bus Hero* by Onjali Q. Rauf, the author of the bestselling and award winning *The Boy at the Back of the Class*.

It tells the story of Hector who is known as the school bully and is **constantly in trouble**. He gets a lot more than he bargained for when he plays a prank on the homeless man living in the park and is embroiled in an *unbelievable mystery*. If you want **laugh out loud comedy**, *intriguing crime* and a completely *heart-warming character transformation* then this is the book for you!



Remember that reading for pleasure is not just about reading traditional books so this half term year 6 have helped me recommend some great graphic novels.

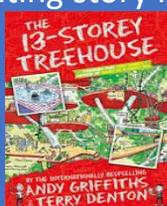
The Witches Graphic Novel- Roald Dahl. A bright and colourful treatment of the classic book.

A Wrinkle in Time- Madeleine L'Engle. An adapted and accessible version of the original sci-fi mystery.

Artemis Fowl, The Graphic Novel- Eoin Colfer. We've just read Artemis Fowl and can't wait to try this illustrated version.

Timmy on the Toilet- Peta Lemon. The cover depicts a flying toilet so we're sold!

The 13-Storey Treehouse- Andy Griffiths. An imaginative and exciting story full of hilarity and wackiness!

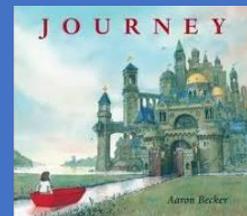


Reading for Pleasure at School

Our World Book Day celebration at the start of March was simply incredible! It was packed full of fun activities such as scavenger hunts, quizzes, crosswords and live workshops.

This half term we also introduced whole class reading for pleasure texts. All classes are enjoying a story at the end of each day and it's been a hit with both teachers and pupils alike.

After Easter, we will be exploring *Journey* by Aaron Becker as a whole school with lots of fun lessons planned and coming up with lots more reading for pleasure opportunities!



We need your help!

We are desperately trying to improve the selection of reading material that we have available in school.

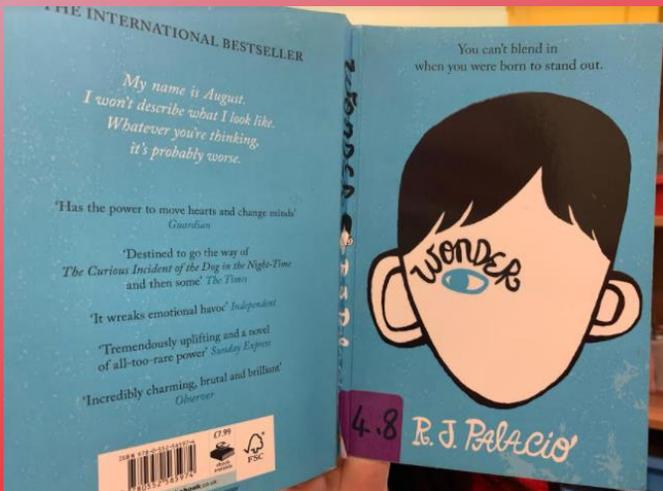
We have already invested in some new books for teaching from and for our reading areas in our classes but we'd love more!

Do you have any books that you have enjoyed but finished with at home (any genre)? Could you donate them to our school? They would be given a loving home 😊

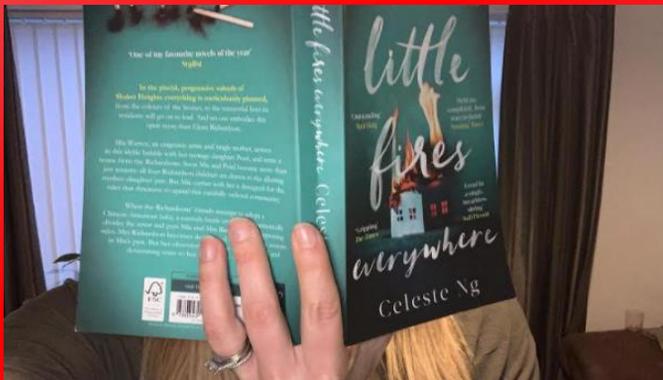
Readers in Disguise!

All the staff at EBJ love reading too! Can you guess who these staff members are who are sharing their favourite books with us?

Last issue's readers in disguise were Mr Wilson and Miss Case. Did you guess correctly?



'This is my favourite book because I like that the perspective of the story is written from several different characters' points of view.'



I love this book because it was an easy and engaging read! I wanted to know what would happen next which means I couldn't put the book down!!! I also love books that then become shows, as I like to compare the two and see if the characters and scenes look the way I envision them!! It's always cool to see your favourite books acted out!

Why not try....?

Can you create a cosy corner to curl up and enjoy a good book in?

It doesn't need to be anything fancy, just grab some blankets, cushions and maybe a reading buddy (perhaps a pet or a favourite cuddly toy).



Spotlight on....Year 6

Book Talk Fridays

Year 6 love talking all things books and reading, so every Friday we are making time to share our favourite books or authors, what we're reading or recommending books to others. It's been great fun so far and has certainly made my 'to read' list a whole lot longer!

Book Club

Last week, we started a Book Club at East Boldon Juniors. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, it is only open to year 6s at present but as soon as we can, other year groups will be more than welcome! We have lots of exciting stuff planned including book week, recommendations and choosing new books! Wednesdays 12:30-1:00, Class 6LB.

Get Involved!

I would love to hear from you for my next issue. Send me your photos, your recommendations, your reviews, your Readers in Disguise guesses or anything else reading related. You can contact me through Class Dojo or the school office. Happy reading! Mrs Burns, English Lead