



KS1 Reading Newsletter



WELCOME TO OUR AUTUMN TERM READING NEWSLETTER

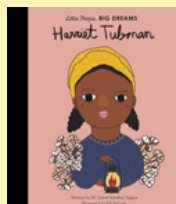
WELCOME

This edition focuses on helping children in Key Stage 1 develop a love for reading through fun activities, recommended books, and practical tips for home reading.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2025

In celebration of Black History Month this October, KS1 classes has been exploring the theme of "Standing Firm in Pride and Power". We have been reading the wonderful picture book "Look Up!" by Nathan Bryon, which tells the story of an ambitious young girl named Rocket, who dreams of being an astronaut. Other wonderful books we will be reading this month.



BUILDING CONFIDENCE

At this stage, children are learning to read more independently. Encourage them to:

- Sound out unknown words using **FRED TALK** and **FRED IN YOUR HEAD**
- Re-read the reading book to build fluency.
- Talk about what they've read to improve comprehension.



QUOTE OF THE MONTH



**"The more that you read,
the more things you will
know. The more that you
learn, the more places
you'll go."**

Dr. Seuss

FUN READING ACTIVITIES



- **Story Treasure Hunt:** Hide words or pictures from a story around the house for children to find and read.
- **Character Voices:** Read aloud using different voices for each character.
- **Book Review Corner:** Encourage children to draw or write about their favourite part of a story.





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TIPS FOR PARENTS

- **Create a routine:** Set aside 10-15 minutes daily for reading together.
- **Ask questions:** "What do you think will happen next?" or "Why did the character do that?"
- **Celebrate progress:** Praise effort and improvement, not just accuracy.
- **Model reading:** Let children see adults enjoying books, magazines, or newspapers.



KS1 VEHICLE TEXTS

This half term, our KS1 students have been honing their writing skills. We have studied two brilliant books, using them as inspiration to craft our own unique and independent writing pieces.

Year 1 - Old Bear by Jane Hissey



Year 2 - The Night Gardener by the Fan Brothers

SCHOOL READING UPDATES

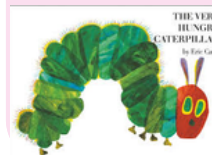
- Please ensure that reading records are signed after each home reading session.
- Books to be returned every **Thursday**.
- New books will be sent home on a **Friday**.



AUTHOR OF THE MONTH



Eric Carle



BOOKS WE HAVE LOVED



"I love 'Ergo' by Alexis Deacon because it teaches me about life cycles."

Y2

"I enjoy 'Oi Duck-billed Platypus' by Kes Gray. It has funny rhymes."

Y1

