Hello and welcome to the third edition of our reading newsletter. We have some more book recommendations linked to science, maths and geography, we have some brilliant book reviews from children and we have plenty of stories and poems for you to listen to.

Enjoy!!!

Storytime - Supertato, Veggies Assemble

by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet



Click on the book or scan the QR code to listen to this fabulous book be read by Mr Carpenter.





It's Competition Time

Mr Carpenter was reading a book called 'Supertato, Veggies Assemble'. Why was the supermarket in meltdown? What was your favourite part of the story and why?

Email reading@wilbrahamprimary.com with

- Your name
- Your class
- Your answers to the two questions above

All entries need to be sent by Friday 25th March 2022 and you could win this brilliant book *Atlas of Everything*.



Meet Wilbraham Readers!

Mr Marchant

What/who was your favourite book/author as a child?

As a child I loved (and still do) anything to do with adventures. One of my favourite books was 'The Faraway Tree' by Enid Blyton.

Where is your favourite place to read?

I like to read anywhere it is quiet and comfy. Preferably with a fire on in the background.

Who is your favourite character from a book?

One of my favourite characters is Matilda from the book of the same name by Roald Dahl. She is such an unlikely hero and I love how (almost) everyone underestimates her.

Would you rather have a book's ending spoiled for you OR never know the ending?

I have a number of unfinished books (and TV series for that matter). This is not because I didn't enjoy them, I actually enjoyed them so much I didn't want them to end. So for that reason I would choose to never know the ending.



What/who was your favourite book/author as a child? I have always loved adventure books, anything with a quest, a journey through magical lands or an unlikely hero facing their fears. I also loved books by Jacqueline Wilson when I was a child. Now, my favourite children's book is 'Brightstorm' by Vashti Hardy - it's incredible!

Where is your favourite place to read?

I read every night in bed, I love snuggling up, relaxing and finding out what is happening next in whichever book I'm reading at the moment. I'm reading a book called 'The Snow Child' right now and I'm loving how beautiful the descriptions of the icy cold weather are as we're having very cold weather too!

Who is your favourite character from a book?

I really love Jerome from the book 'The Word Collector' because he adores words and collects any that he enjoys or feel nice when he says them. I love words too, I love how they sound when you say them and the power of them. I love piecing them together to make beautiful sentences. Everyone has the power of words and I think that is wonderful!

Would you rather have a book's ending spoiled for you OR never know the ending?

Definitely have a books ending spoiled as I would hate not knowing the ending. I think even if you know what happens at the end, the way the author and the book ties everything that has happened so far together is still so interesting.



Wilbraham LOVES Poetry

Last Year, some members of Wilbraham recorded videos of their favourite poems.

Why not have another listen to them and let us know what your favourite poem is.

Click on the name or scan the QR to watch.

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Competition Winner

Well done to Akram in Y4 for winning our 'We're Going to Find a Monster' competition.





Thank you to everyone who entered and don't forget to enter this edition's competition - details are on the front page of the newsletter!

Tongue twisters!



If two witches would watch two watches, which witch would watch which watch?



I saw Susie sitting in a shoeshine shop.



Make someone laugh!



What does a cloud wear under his raincoat?

Thunderwear.



Why did the dinosaur cross the road? Because the chicken wasn't born yet.

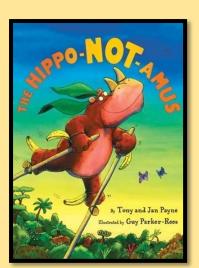
What kind of tree fits in your hand?

A palm tree.



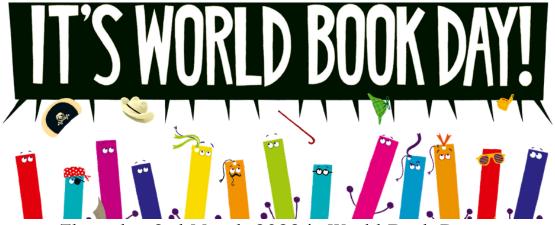
Storytime - The Hippo-not-amus

Click on the book or scan the QR code to listen to this brilliant book be read by Mrs Izon.



Finding that life as a hippo is quite a bore, Portly sets out on a grand adventure to discover the animal he truly wants to be and begins testing his abilities to see if he can make a successful transformation, in an amusing picture book about an unusual hippopotamus.





Thursday 3rd March 2022 is World Book Day.

These are all the £1 World Book Day books.

Click on the book, or scan the QR code to have a sneaky peek inside.



Illustrator Spotlight - Tom Percival

Tom has been drawing since he's been able to hold a pencil, and making up stories for as long as he can remember, in fact, probably longer, especially as his memory is not what it once was.

Basically, he's been making things up his whole life and he's not about to stop any time soon.





Remember Norman?

Tom Percival writes lots of books that explore our

feelings.

Click <u>here</u> to listen to Tom reading his book 'The invisible' then have a go at drawing along in this video.



Click <u>here</u> to visit Tom's website and learn about the different books he has produced.





















Can you create a character in the style of Tom Percival and write a short story the helps us learn about feelings?





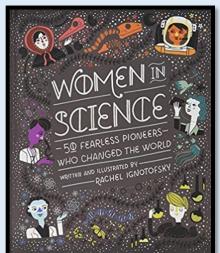


Mrs Morrison's Science Sector

In this section Mrs Morrison will share some brilliant books that can also teach you about scientific concepts.

A gloriously illustrated celebration of trailblazing women.

Women in Science highlights the contributions of fifty notable women to the STEM fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, from both the ancient and modern worlds. These women broke down the barriers of their time. What barriers will you break in your life?

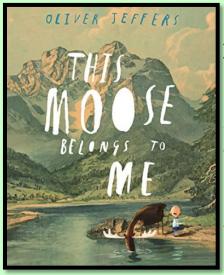




Miss Johnson's Geographic Region

In this section Miss Johnson will share some brilliant books that are linked to geography.





This Moose Belongs to Me by Oliver Jeffers

Most of the time Marcel is very obedient, abiding by the many rules on How to Be a Good Pet. But one dark day, while deep in the woods, someone else claims the moose as their own...

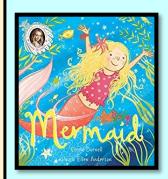
Is Marcel really Wilfred's pet after all?

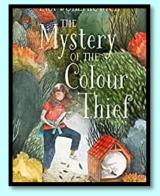
A wonderfully illustrated story exploring the concept of ownership of living things and the complicated ways in which human and physical geography intertwine.

I see ME!

It is so important that the books we share with our children represent all the diversity in the world. Children need to be able to 'see' themselves in the books they read and they need to learn about others who are different to them too. In this edition we look at books that focus on children who are wheelchair users and books linked to loss or bereavement.

Once there was a boy called Luka, who lived in a town beside a deep silvery sea. Luka longed to splash in the surf and dive beneath silver-bright waves, but he couldn't swim. One day, Luka sees a girl gliding through the waves, dipping and soaring like a fish. Luka has never seen anyone swim so well. Sylvia teaches Luka how to swim, and that night, Luka dreams that Sylvia is a mermaid and they have a beautiful underwater adventure visiting the mermaid palace. And when Luka starts school, Sylvia is there! The other children crowd around her to ask why she's in a wheel-chair, and Luka tells everyone that it's because Sylvia is a mermaid. Luka knows that



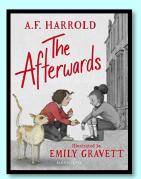


First the accident, then the nightmares. The shadowy thief steals all the colours from Izzy's world leaving her feeling empty and hopeless. Will her new neighbour and a nest full of cygnets save Izzy and solve the mystery of the colour thief?

A heart-warming story about families, friendships, school, nature, hope and selfconfidence.

At the bottom of Syd's garden, through the gate and past the tree, is Grandad's house. Syd can let himself in any time he likes. But one day when Syd comes to call, Grandad isn't in any of the usual places. He's in the attic, where he ushers Syd through a door, and the two of them journey to a wild, beautiful island awash in colour where Grandad decides he will remain. So Syd hugs Grandad one last time and sets sail for home. Visiting Grandad's house at the bottom of the garden again, he finds it just the same as it's always been — except that Grandad isn't there anymore. Sure to provide comfort to young children struggling to understand loss, Benji Davies's tale is a sensitive and beautiful reminder that our loved ones live on in our memories long after they're gone.





Fact: Ember and Ness are best friends.

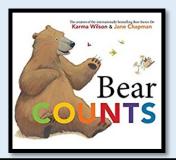
There's nothing more to say about it. It is what it is. It is what will always be. Ember and Ness.

Then Ness dies. It is sudden and unexpected and leaves Ember completely empty. How can this be?

When Ember finds a way into the Afterworld, she determines to bring Ness back. Because that's what friends do isn't it? They rescue each other. They help. They never give up. Ember and Ness. That don't change.

Mrs Wright Reads Maths

Each newsletter Mrs Wright will share some books aimed at different age groups that you can use to talk about maths.





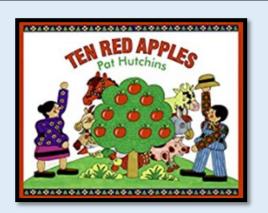
Pre-schoolers

As bear and mouse are sharing breakfast, they count objects all around them, such as one giant dragonfly and two sweet apples.

TOP TIP Have the children show the number with their fingers.

How many fish are there/ Can you show me the number four using your fingers?







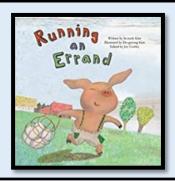
Early Years

A farmer starts with 10 red apples hanging on the tree. But then horse comes along and eats one apple! The farmer is left with nine apples, until cow comes and eats another! More animals arrive, each making funny sounds as they eat another apple off the farmer's tree. The farmer is happy that he is left with one apple for himself, but his wife is sad to find no apples left for her. What can the farmer do to help his wife?

TOP TIP Try subtracting one apple.



How many apples are on the tree? How many apples will be left after pig eats one?



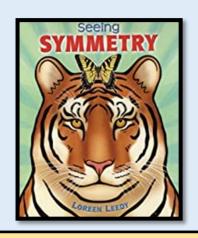
Key Stage 1

Luke the piglet loves to run errands. His mum asks him to go to the shop to buy her an egg. His errand to the shop turns into an errand for several neighbours! It seems everybody needs eggs today. Luke needs to do some addition when he gets to the shop. Does he get the right number of eggs? Does everyone get the eggs they need?

Top Tip: Recoding your ideas.

Find different ways to show how many eggs in the basket. Can you draw tally marks, make a part, part whole model or write a number sentence?







Key Stage 2

Once you start looking, you can find symmetry all around you. Symmetry is when one shape looks the same if you flip, slide, or turn it. It's in words and even letters. It's in both nature and man-made things. In fact, art, design, decoration, and architecture are full of it.

TOP TIP Creating symmetrical patterns

Use everyday objects found in the house to create a symmetrical picture Go out on a symmetry hunt – where can you find symmetry in the area you live?

Wilbraham Loves to READ!

Here are some of the many books that we have been reading.

