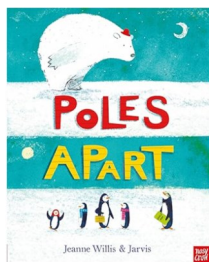




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What are we reading this half term?



Foundation

Foundation have loved reading this book.

'I love it when the penguins get back home.' Timothy

'I liked it when the penguin and polar bears meet up together and make friends at the end.' Joshua

Year 1

'My favourite book we've read this half term is Fairy Tale Pets because different fairy tale characters in the story, like Goldilocks, the Three Little Pigs and the Three Billy Goats Gruff. It's a really funny book.'

Zara



Year 2



'We've been reading The Colour Monster which tells you all about feelings. The monster has lots of different feelings and this book makes you think about your own feelings too. There are some nice pictures in it.'

Bella

Year 3



'We are reading Flat Stanley, the Great Egyptian Grave Robbery. Stanley has been squashed by a bulletin board and has been sent a letter from Egypt. We think that because he is so small, he can get to places others can't, so he might go to Egypt.'

Pearl and Adaline

Year 4

'We're reading Leon and the Place Between. The main character is Leon who is in the circus and has stepped into a box. We think this is going to 'the place between' but we don't know what this place is, so it's a bit of a mystery.'

Ruby-Ann, Isabella and Darcie

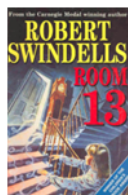


Year 5

'Room 13 is about a class of children who go to Whitby. It's a bit of a horror story so far. Fliss had a nightmare and we think it might come true.'

'We're going to Whitby soon but we hope it won't be a horror story!'

Evelynne, James, Kyle, Kajus and Archie



Year 6



'Holes is a book about a boy called Stanley Yelnats who commits a horrible crime and is sent to Camp Green Lake where he has to dig holes every day in the hope that his behaviour will change.'

Caleb

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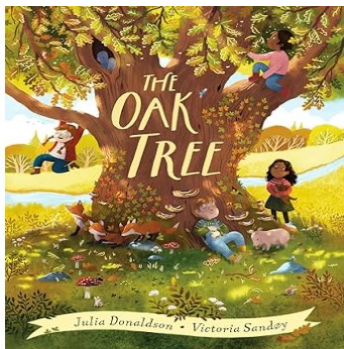


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New Julia Donaldson book...

Watch a thousand years unfold in the life of one magnificent tree!



Come to Green Apples to borrow this book.

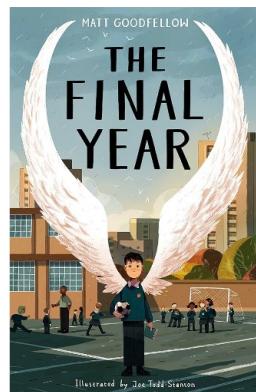
Green apples have loved listening to this story. These are their thoughts....

I was worried when the tree was struck by lightning.

I loved all the different ways the tree was used.

Coming soon to our library....

Aimed at Year 6



Have you got any requests?
Let us know!

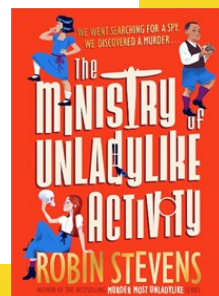


SPOTLIGHT



Annabelle is one of the Year Six librarians at Balderton. Here's her book recommendation:

"I enjoyed this mystery story set in World War Two. Two children run away to become spies and try to solve a murder at a big house in the countryside where evacuees have been sent. The story was told from different characters' points of view which I liked. I would recommend this book to children in Year 5 and 6 who like mystery and historical stories."



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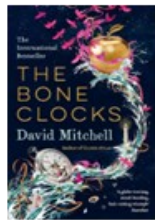


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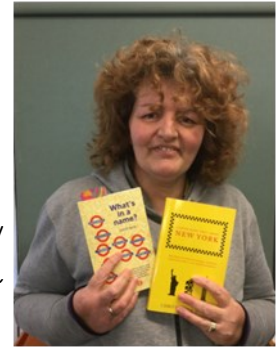
Tell us all about your reading Mrs Good!
"I'm usually reading one book on my kindle in the evenings and listening to one on Audible for when I walk the

dog or do chores. At the moment, I'm reading one of my favourite books for about the fifth time! It's called 'The Bone Clocks' by David Mitchell. It's a mystery and an adventure with all supernatural things going on. I love listening to autobiographies because when the person who wrote the book reads it aloud, it feels like they are telling you their own story. I'm listening to Claudia Winkleman's 'Quite' and it's making me chuckle!



Mrs Richards has been reading not one but two books recently!

" 'What's in a name?' is about how all the underground stations in London got their names – it's really interesting. I'm also enjoying finding out about the history and geography of New York. Hopefully I can visit the city sometime too!"



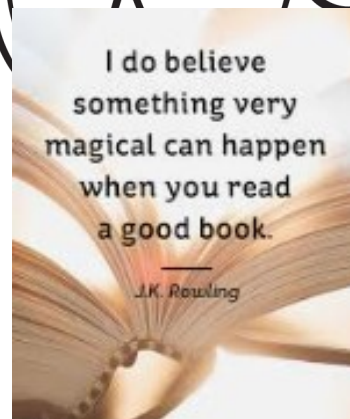
During Newark Library's closure, Balderton Library has extended its opening times:
Monday-Friday 9am-6pm
Saturday 9am-4pm

Foundation children will be visiting the library next half term. Please visit the library. They would love to see you.



I do believe something very magical can happen when you read a good book.

J.K. Rowling

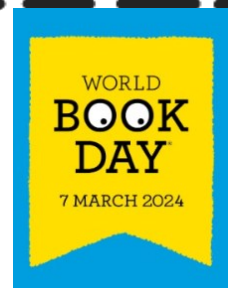
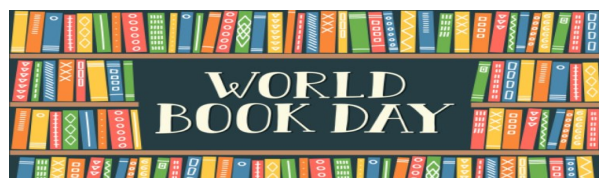
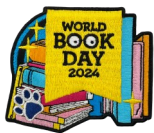




Top 10 tips to help children enjoy reading

Reading should be fun. Here are some tips from experts and authors to show what you can do to help turn your children into little bookworms:

1. Make books a part of family life – always have books around at home. That way you and your children are ready to get reading, even if it's only for ten minutes.
2. Join your local library – get your child a library card. They'll be able to get their hands on hundreds of fantastic books. Let them choose what they want to read to help them develop their own interests.
3. Read about something they're interested in – help your child find the right book for them. It doesn't matter if it's fiction, poetry, comic books or non-fiction.
4. All reading is good – don't rule out non-fiction, comics, graphic novels, magazines or leaflets. Reading is reading and it's all worthwhile.
5. Get comfortable! – snuggle up together somewhere warm and cosy, whether it's in bed, on a beanbag or on the sofa. Make sure your child has somewhere comfy to read on their own too.
6. Ask questions – to keep them interested in the story, ask your child questions as you read. Start with 'Where did we get to last time?', 'Can you remember what's happened so far?' and 'What do you think will happen next?'
7. Read whenever you get the chance – have a book or magazine with you for any time your child has to wait, like at the doctors or the dentist.
8. Read favourites again and again – encourage your child to re-read the books and poems they love. Re-reading helps to build fluency and confidence.
9. Enjoy bedtime stories – read with your children at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them.
10. Make the most of rhyme and repetition – books and poems with rhymes and repeated words or phrases are great for getting your children to join in and remember the words.



World Book Day coming soon. Look out for more information to follow. No dressing up this year but get looking for your favourite book ready.
Fun quiz will be shared – I hope you will be able to guess the teachers!!!!