

Reading Round Up!



Welcome

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Welcome to our first edition of Hope Brook C of E Primary Schools reading newsletter. Whether your child hasn't been able to put a book down recently, or if you have struggled to get them to pick one up, this newsletter is for you!

We will be using this space to share updates about what we are doing to promote reading across the school, as well as highlighting some of our favourite books. It's a chance to find out about new, high quality fiction, non-fiction and poetry as well as a chance to get to tips and up to date information about helping your child with their reading journey.

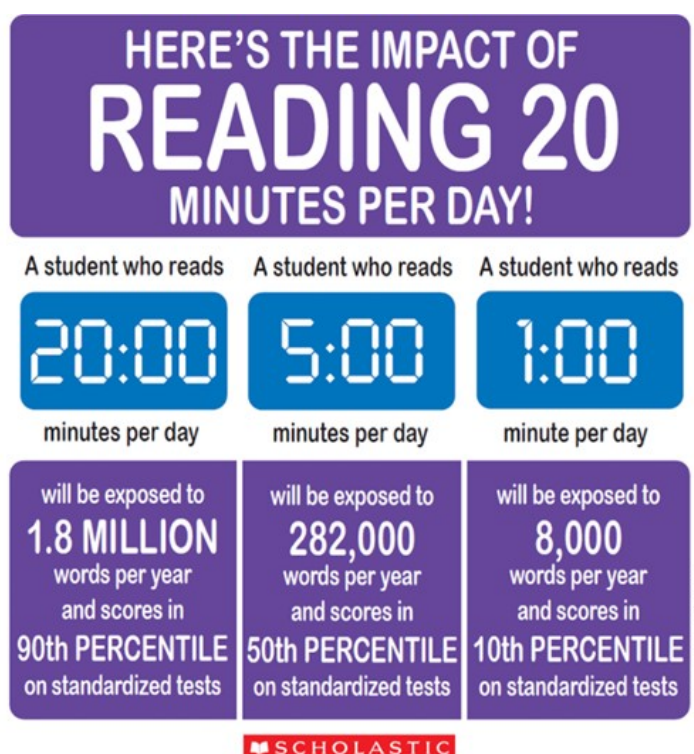
As always, your support is hugely appreciated.

Mrs Stanton (Early Reading Lead and Wrens class teacher)

The Importance of Reading for Pleasure

There is overwhelming evidence that literacy has a significant relationship to people's life chances. Reading for pleasure is more important than either wealth or social class as an indicator of success at school.

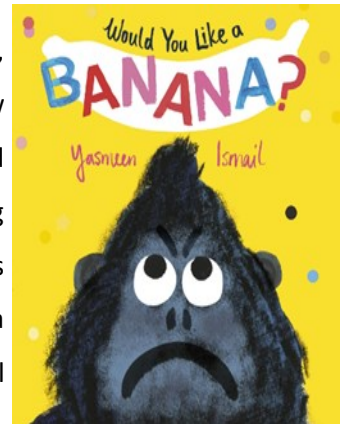
If your child isn't a 'book worm' yet, don't worry! There are so many wonderful and exciting authors out there, that there's a book to engage and inspire your child.....they may not have discovered the book yet!



Recommended Reads from <https://readforgood.org/book-recommendations/>

Would you like a Banana? Yasmeen Ismail

Short-listed for this year's Oscar's book prize this is a book that every parent, guardian, teacher and child-minder will relate to as they try to encourage a child to eat a new food - in this case a banana! Using a riotous mix of different types of font size and styles, illustrations, and photos presented through an array of bright colours, a young gorilla gives every possible reason why he won't eat one. The additional delight of this book is that it's so fun to read aloud. The refrain on each page of "I won't eat a banana" will ensure children will enjoy joining in, repeating the phrases as well as turning the book this way and that to follow the words. It's great fun!



Cat Kid Comic Club - Dav Pilkey

With haikus, monster cheese sandwiches and lessons in how to fail, Dav Pilkey (award winning author of the hilarious "Dogman" series) establishes his new unconventional style graphic book for middle grade readers. Through humorous connected stories Pilkey cleverly introduces the reader to a variety of different literary styles (poetry, drama as well as prose) to tell the stories of dinosaur lawyers, unhappy squid and reactionary nurses as well as a more serious chapter about nature! The beauty of this book is the different media Pilkey uses for each tale. Illustrations include photographs, felt-tip markers and different fonts. It's a hugely enjoyable read with vocabulary to challenge and ideas to inspire children to write and create their own



The Highland Falcon Thief—M.G. Leonard and Sam Sedgman

Who could not love a tale which involves a jewel thief, a royal steam train, a cast of characters straight from an Agatha Christie novel and two likeable children, Hal and Lenny (short for Marlene) as detectives?

When told he is to accompany his uncle, Nathaniel Bradshaw (there are many clues to the authors' own love and knowledge of trains) Hal is unimpressed by being surrounded by adults until he meets Lenny Singh, the train driver's daughter, who has stowed away on the train. Life becomes more exciting for Hal when soon after the train pulls away the thief strikes and there follows an exhilarating adventure as befits such a special trip.

