



## Summer 1 Reading Newsletter

Welcome to Christ the King's Reading Newsletter for Summer 1 2023. In this newsletter and those that follow, we would like to share updates with our community about what is going on in school to promote a love of reading for pleasure. At CtK, we aim to open the minds of our children through the power of reading. Using our wide and growing collection of books we want to; inspire and engage children, support their understanding of the wider world including culture and diversity and provide role models for the children through a variety of authors. We hope this newsletter keeps you up to date and provides you with ideas and inspiration to foster a love of a reading at home with your child. If you have any recommended reads, please let us know!

With a very busy term at CtK, we still find time for our children to enjoy daily reading for pleasure time and story time/ read alouds with their class teacher.

KS1 have been welcoming parents into school for our Reading Cafes this half term. This has been a great opportunity for children to share books with their parents, reading ambassadors and teachers - and enjoy a biscuit too. We encourage children to read a variety of books but also share this with adults and listen to books read aloud to them. It also helps us at school to understand children's reading patterns at home and gives us the chance to recommend books to parents for their child's age group.

We will be holding more Reading cafes after half term for more year groups, so keep an eye out in the newsletter for the dates for your child's class.



1SH, 1DK and 2HW Reading cafés.

### COMING SOON...

After half term, we are looking forward to taking our reading outdoors! Our Reading Ambassadors and Reading Buddies will be opening the Book Bench, which will have book trolleys for both KS1 and KS2 for children to enjoy reading in a comfortable space during lunchtimes.

**How to choose a book...** Our school reading focus this term is how to choose a book, to ensure children understand the best way to choose a book in the classroom, library or bookshop. We are focusing on this model:

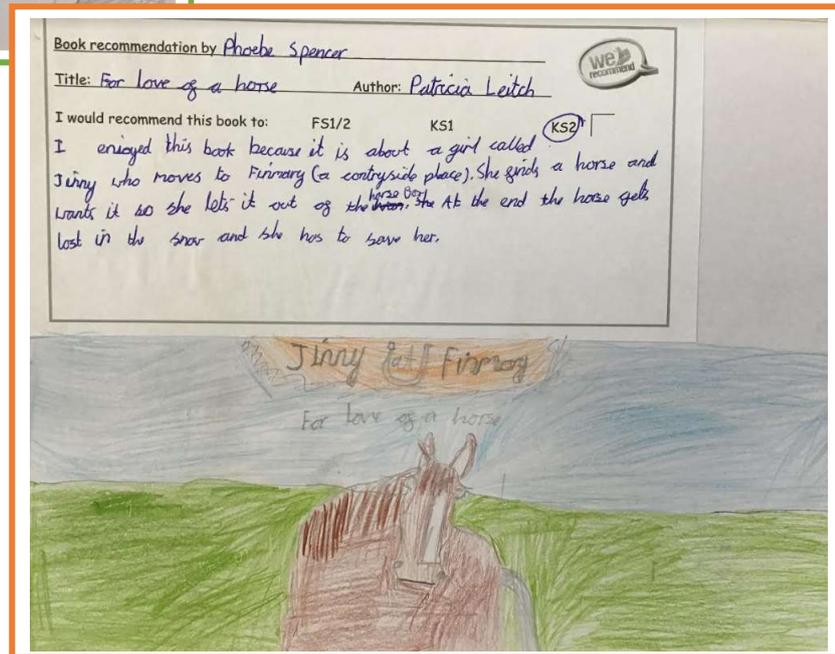
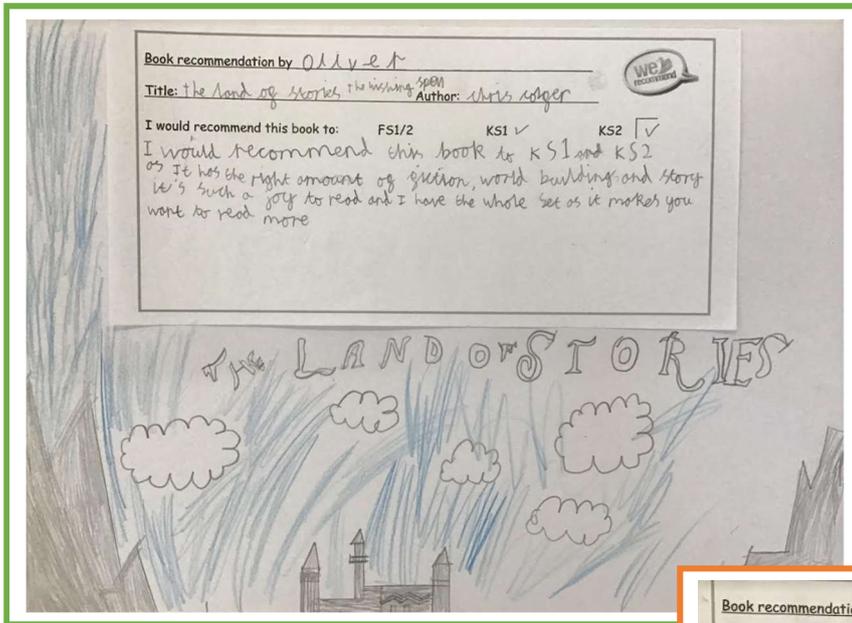
**LOOK** - look at covers, what is the title who is the author?

**BLURB** - what does it tell you? Do you like the sound of the story?

**THINK** - What books do you enjoy? Is this a genre you are interested to try?

**TRY**- Open the book and have a read, Five-finger test: every time you come across a word you do not know, count a finger. If you get to five the book might be too hard.

**ASK** -Talk to your teacher, friend or family members to find out which books they recommend to you.



# AUTHOR OF THE MONTH



Our author of the month is Frank Cottrell-Boyce. Books are on display in the KS1 corridor for children to take to read. We have also added some copies to our library.

