



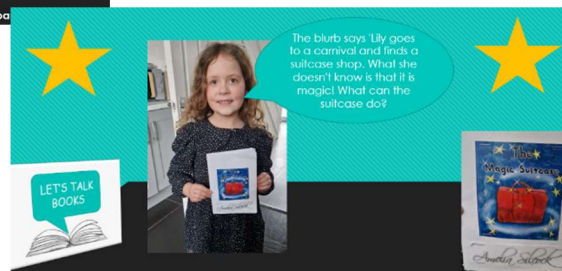
Spring 1 Reading Newsletter

Welcome to Christ the King's Reading Newsletter for Spring 1 2024. 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!

Story telling week...

CTK celebrated National Storytelling week this half term. Across school, the children have been engaging with lots of different story times and learning to retell stories. For Book Talk sessions, each class chose a story opener to begin their story and then each child orally added the next part of the story. Children have listened to famous storytellers and learned about morals and lessons from stories like the Hare and the Tortoise.

A member of 2HW was inspired by the storytelling sessions to write her own book, which she shared with her class and the school - well done!



Author of the month - S F Said



This month's author is S F Said - a popular author with our year 4, 5 and 6 children. In year 4, our children read Varjak Paw for their Spring English text, so we have copies of S F Said's sequel book 'The Outlaw of Varkjak Paw' in our libraries and now his new book 'Tyger'.



Reading corners

We try to make our class libraries inviting and comfortable spaces for our children to read in, whilst also displaying good quality texts for children to choose from. In 2HW, the children have been helping Miss Wilkinson and Mrs Somers to create their new reading corner this term - very fitting for the current weather.



Coming soon...

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

All children are invited to get creative and make their own accessory or prop that their favourite book character might wear or hold, and their class and teachers will have to guess who it is from the clue. They could make a hat, badge or hairband, or bring in a prop (cuddly toy, cape, wand, basket) that links to or represents their favourite story. Alternatively, they could create an envelope or bag of clues to share in class. Children can wear their own clothes on this day too, and bring in their favourite book, magazine or graphic novel to share with their peers.



Recommended reads from year 6

Book recommendation by Lily R

Title: Varjak Paw Author: Sg Said

I would recommend this book to: FS1/2 KS1 KS2 ☐

I would recommend this book to KS2 because it has quite a lot of action and also it is a very good book. I have a lot of interest in this book and I think others will really enjoy this book.

Book recommendation by George

Title: Harry Potter and the cursed child Authors: J.K. Rowling, John T. Fong, Jack Thorne

I would recommend this book to: FS1/2 KS1 KS2 ☒

The amount of plot twists in this book made it amazing. From the first few pages, everything happens, but there is still so much more! (This book is a playscript though)



★ TEACHER RECOMMENDED READS ★



In addition to children recommending books to each other, teachers are recommending their favourite books to the children. The children can read why the teacher has recommended the book and look through the book in the corridor on their way to the dinner hall in our KS1 building.

If you have any books to recommend to our children please let us know through your child's Seesaw, we would love to add parent recommendations to our display.