



Autumn 1 Reading Newsletter

Welcome to Christ the King's Reading Newsletter for Autumn 1 2021. 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!

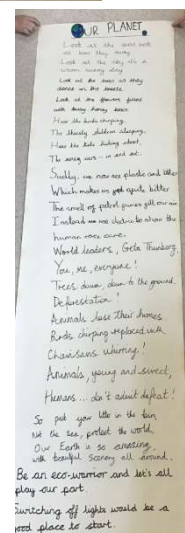
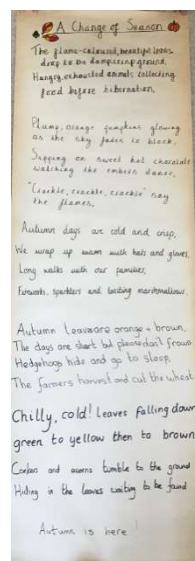


Last year, we started our first Amazon wish list and were overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of our CTK families and local community. We have updated our classroom libraries with shiny new books for our children to read. There is a diverse range of books that focus on culture and inclusivity. The children have loved diving into these books in their classrooms and will continue to do next term.

National Poetry Day at CTK...

On Thursday 7th October, Ctk took part in National Poetry Day along with many other schools across the country. We spent our story time listening to poems and nursery rhymes, old and new. During our English lessons, we wrote our own poems, the themes varied from writing about a forest, space and even blackout poems. As a whole school, we joined a poetry train and all contributed to a KS1 and KS2 poem.

Throughout the day, a scroll made its way to each classroom and each class had to add a stanza to the poem. KS1's theme was 'Autumn Days' and KS2 was 'Our Planet'. We created two amazing poems and got to listen to the finished pieces in our assembly. If you would like to read our poems, you can find them on our school website.



When we returned to School in September, teachers gave the children the opportunity to vote for their favourite books from their new class libraries. These books have gone into our baskets at the front of every classroom and each day the children listen to a book read aloud to them. Each time we get to the end of a book we vote for the one we would like to hear next in our story time.





Book recommendation by Emily Manford

Title: Lettice The flower girl Author: mandy Stanley

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

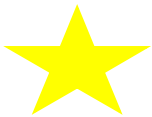
Lettice is a rabbit who is excited about being a flower girl at a wedding. She saves the day when somebody loses something very important!

Book recommendation by Tasmin Lily Greve

Title: Savannah the zebra going Author: Daisy meadows

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

KS2 because it shows how you should let your imagination run and it has speech and punctuation and it's fun to read no matter how old you are. This book also has a big collection there's animal fairies party fairies weather fairies all different and they explain what happens so well. This book is ever choice.



TOP TIPS



We appreciate family life is very busy but we would like to give you some ideas and inspiration to get your children reading and enjoying it.

- 1) Make sure there is time set aside for reading. This does not have to be in the evening before bed, you can change where your child reads each day to keep them engaged and enjoying reading.
- 2) Make it fun - take it in turns to read with your child so that they can enjoy reading and listening to you read too. At the end of the book or chapter you could do a fun activity for example; change the ending, rate the book out of 5 stars.
- 3) Children can read a variety of texts they do not just have to be story books. If you have been on a day trip at the weekend and picked up a leaflet you could read that together or perhaps a magazine about their favourite sport.

For lots more ideas for reading with children from all age groups visit: [Tips for reading with your child | BookTrust](#)
There is even a 'Book Finder' page to help you find appropriate books for your child's age and interests.