Branston Church of England Infant Academy

Reading News

Issue: 11

Spring: Term 4

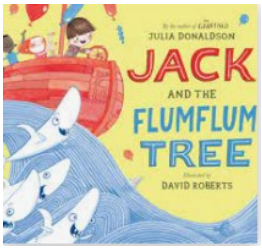
What a wonderful year of reading we are having so far with virtual author visits, celebrating Multicultural Children's Book day, Immersive Tales visiting the KS1 classes as well as all of the amazing books we have discovered together as a class, and whole school community. It is been a reading filled term with a visit to the Library, Usbourne book fayre as well as World Book Day (one of my favourite days of the year!). We have lots more exciting Reading adventures to take place this year and I will be sharing what we have been doing since our last news letter in this edition.

Happy reading!

Miss Sneyd

Book of the Term.

This term we asked Mrs Sharpe, Squirrel Class Teacher, for a review of her favourite children's book: Jack and the Flumflum Tree by Julia Donaldson.



This delightful story is one of my favourite tales to read to a class. The simple yet clever rhymes engage children and by the end of story everyone is joining in! The characters that Julia Donaldson has created come alive and the children always enjoy the different voices which I give each character. Everyone loves to join in when we act out the story and I love to hear the children using their story telling voice when they are pretending to be each character. This is a wonderful story about problem solving, pausing, keeping calm and finding solutions.



Hedgehog Class visit to Branston Community Library



Hedgehog Class thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Branston Community Library earlier this term. The children were very lucky as they had the whole library to themselves! The children loved looking at all of the books: they really enjoyed sharing books and reading to each other whilst sitting on the comfy beanbags! We finished the session by sitting altogether and taking part in story time. Everyone enjoyed hearing the fantastical story of *The Incredible Book Eating Boy* by Oliver Jeffers, and the very funny tale of *The Polar Bear that went Boo by David Walliams*. The children enjoyed their time in the library very much and we hope to visit again soon.





World Book Day 2022!!

On Thursday 3rd March, the whole school had a fantastic time celebrating world book day. Each class received their very own copy of one World Book Day books as well as a £1 voucher to buy another one of these special books.

The day was filled with lots of fun book themed activities, virtual live author events and filled with stories galore!!

Usborne book fair came to visit the school and each class spent time looking at the lovely books. The book fair was open after school for parents to visit. From this book fair we generated over £350 towards new books! Thank you so much for supporting us in raising more for new books for the children to enjoy.





New reading area in school

You may have seen in school that we have a new reading hut in the main playground for the children to enjoy sharing books with their friends. The hut has a comfortable mat inside so that the children can comfortably sit to read the books. As summer approaches it will be a lovely area to sit and read together!





Reading at home

I hope that everyone is enjoying hearing their children read the new Read, Write, Inc books with their children at home. Reading regularly with your child is very important not only to build fluency but also develop your child's comprehension of the story or non-fiction text.

The Open University's Reading for Pleasure programme has developed three short films and support materials to help parents, families and carers read books conversationally and creatively to children. 'Book Chat' goes hand in hand with quality reading to and with children. It turn develops children's language and comprehension skills, and nurtures a love of reading. Please click on the following link to watch the films:

https://ourfp.org/supporting-rah/book-chat-reading-with-your-child/



At Branston CofE Infant Academy, we strongly believe in developing a life long love of reading. Follow us on Twitter @BranstonInfant1 and @BookBranston (our very own Twitter account dedicated to all things reading related!) to see how we promote a passion for reading.