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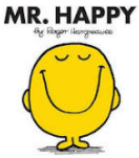
As we welcome the warmer months, it has been lovely to see the children sit outside in our reading areas and enjoy sharing books together. We are so lucky to have such an amazing outdoor area where the children can relax and transport themselves into an exciting story. We are also lucky to have so many beautiful books. As a school we are always looking to expand our range of books and introduce the children to the wonderful new books which have been published. If you would like to donate a book to our school, please see the next page of this news letter which tells you how.



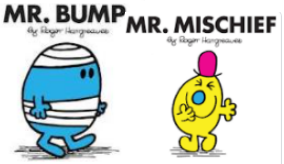
Many thanks and happy reading!

Miss Sneyd

Book of the Term.



This term we asked Mr Green, our Caretaker, for a review of his favourite children's books: Mr Men series by Roger Hargreave.



Growning up I loved the Mr Men books! They were books that I would choose to have read to me time and time again. I would look through the brightly coloured pictures and liked how each character's shape represented their personality. I found each Mr Men adventure funny and would love to hear what mischief the characters had got mixed up in. I also enjoyed watching the animated version which was voiced over by Arthur Lowe. The Mr Men series brings back lots of happy childhood memories and that is why, for me, they will always be a children's classic.

Squirrel and Fox Class visit to Branston Community Library



Squirrel Class and Fox Class both had a fantastic time at Branston Community Library. The children enjoyed sharing books whilst sitting on the comfy beanbags! Children were excited to find old favourites as well as explore some new books which the children hadn't read before. At the end of the session, everyone joined in with story time. Mrs Sharpe read *Little Boo Peep's Library Visit* by Cressida Cowell whilst Miss Gaul read *Aliens Love Underpants* by Claire Freedman. They were both enjoyed by everyone (including all the grown ups!). A huge thank you to all the volunteers who accompanied the children to the library.



Virtual Author Visit: Steve Antony



On the last week of term, all children throughout the school had the wonderful opportunity to take part in a live virtual author event. This was a very special event as it links to the Platinum Jubilee celebrations as the author in question was Steve Antony who has written *The Queen's Hat*. This story tells the reader of a hilarious adventure which follows the Queen through London ins pursuit of her fly-away hat. The children heard all about the story from the author himself and then took part in a special Platinum Jubilee draw a-long!



Amazon Wishlist

As a school, we have an Amazon Wish List which is specifically for reading books. On the wish list there are a range of books which would be suitable for children who are just entering school to those in Year 2. We have established a wish list so that if you would like to, you could donate a book to celebrate your child's birthday or buy one as a gift for your child's class as an end of year gift. A special plaque will be stuck into the front cover of the book with your child's name. The Amazon list is just a starting point—please feel free to choose your favourite book to donate and we will ensure the commemorative plaque is added.

Please click on the following link to take you to the Wish List:

https://amzn.eu/eGXg4zI

Book and Biscuits Club

This term Mrs Cook has been running an after school Book and Biscuit Club. The children have loved sharing books with their friends, reading to Mrs Cook and of course enjoying a biscuit whilst they read! This club has given children the opportunity to read to other children who are in different year groups therefore not only developing their own literacy skills but promoting a love of reading across year groups.

Upcoming exciting events

On the 15th June, the children in both EYFS and KS1 will have the opportunity to take part in a live virtual author session with Michael Rosen: the author of We are Going on a Bear Hunt.



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.