Branston Church of England Infant Academy

Reading News

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At Branston Church of England Infant Academy, reading is at the heart of our curriculum and we strive to build a life long love of reading for all of the children who pass through our school.

Each term we produce a newsletter to keep you up to date with all our reading news and to recommend books which your children might enjoy.

We have had a exciting start to the academic year: each Key Stage 1 class has visited the library for National Libraries Week, Sophie from Branston Community Library has visited to present certificates to those children who took part in the summer reading challenge and new Reading Ambassadors have been chosen to represent each class.

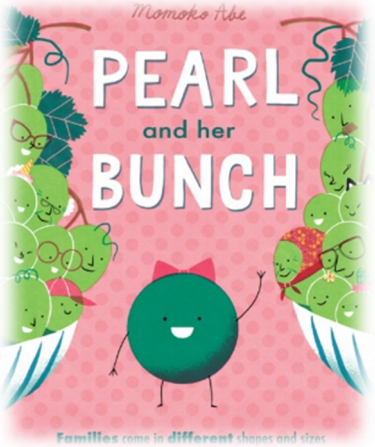
Happy Reading!

Mrs Savage

Reading Recommendation

This term I have chosen a new favourite book to share with you— 'Pearl and Her Bunch' by Momoko Abe.

I must admit that this book did bring a tear to my eye. It is a beautifully told story about a pea (Pearl) who discovers that all of her family are grapes and she has actually been adopted into the 'bunch.' The story works through the emotions that Pearl feels when she discovers this and the realisation that she loves her family and they love her. An absolute must read for families to explore the issues raised and a lovely way to discuss tis topic if you have adopted or foster children, or have a blended family. I hope you enjoyed this story as much as I did.



National Library Week



Fox, Squirrel and Hedgehog Class really enjoyed their visit to Branston Community Library during National Libraries Week. The children made front covers of popular books from Lego and then the other children had to see if they could guess which book cover the other groups had made. We of course had time to explore the wonderful books in the new children's section of the library.

Summer Reading Challenge

It was lovely to welcome Sophie (the Library Co-Ordinator at Branston Community Library) to our collective worship earlier this term. She present certificates to those children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge. It was lovely to hear that so many children from our school engaged with this challenge over the summer holidays. Keep your eyes peel for our Winter Reading Challenge which will be launched in Term 2!

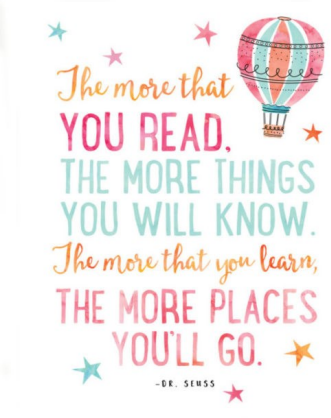


Reading Ambassadors

We are proud to introduce our six new reading ambassadors who will be helping to spread the love of reading across the school and helping me to look after the reading areas in school. They also help to decide which books we should have in school and share these books with the other children.



I am delighted to inform you that the Reading Ambassadors are Harry and Ayla (Fox Class), Raven and Jenson (Squirrel Class), Poppy and Arlo (Hedgehog Class). We look forward to following you all in your new roles!



Top Picks of Children's Books

Mrs Cook's book of the week is...



Happy Days by Emily Coxhead



One World by Michael Foreman

Spotlight on...

Our September, 'Spotlight On' reading display has focused on the children's classic author **Roald Dahl**. We have chosen a wonderful selection of books which have become firm favourites for many generations. During October, our spotlight moved to **Black History Month** and we celebrated this important months through a range of black authors.



At Branston CofE Infant Academy, we strongly believe in developing a life long love of reading. Follow us on X @BranstonInfant1 to see how we promote a passion for reading.