Branston Church of England Infant Academy

Reading News

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This has been a term full of exciting reading events with one of our favourite days of the year: World Book Day! It was a fantastic day with lots of reading activities both in the children's own classes and sharing the joy of reading with their friends across the school.

At the beginning of the term, we celebrated the competition of our Winter Reading Challenge. Well done for all of the children who completed the challenge and thank you to the families for supporting this. We hope you have enjoyed visiting the local library.

Happy reading!

Mrs Savage

Our book recommendations.



This term Mrs Edey-Walters, Tawny Owl Class Teacher, has recommended *Sonya's Chickens* by Phoebe Wahl .

This is a lovely book with the most beautiful illustrations. It tells the story of Sonya, a little girl who raises three chickens. She feeds them, shelters them and loves them very much. Sadly, one day a fox gets into the chicken coop and takes a chicken, but Sonya's father helps her understand and come to terms with the loss. He explains that the fox was not being mean but just caring for his babies. This story helped Little Owls Class to learn about love, loss and the circle of life.

World Book Day

We had a wonderful World Book Day at the beginning of this term. It was a week filled with lots of 'booky' activities and storytelling. Here is a selection of the events that took place during this special week:





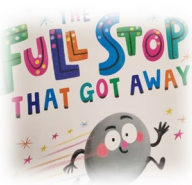
Virtual author events with Julia Donaldson, Axel Scheffler, Swapna Haddow, Michelle Robinson, Tom Knight and many more...



Draw a-longs with Rob Biddulph and Laura Baker .



Sharing a cosy story time with our friends across the school.







Squirrel Class Visit to Branston Community Library

During World Book Day week, Squirrel Class visited Branston Community Library. They took part in a brilliant World Book Day themed visit. The children enjoyed story time with Sophie, the library co-ordinator, and a special book character themed quiz. All of the children (and grown ups!) enjoyed sharing stories together and taking part in the activities.







Winter Reading Challenge



Well done to all of the children who completed the Winter Reading Challenge. We had over 30 children take part in the challenge which means there were 90 visits to our local library! Thank you to the families for supporting this challenge.





Top Picks of Children's Books





Mountain and Cloud by Jana Curll

Gina Kaminski by Craig Barr-Green



Spotlight on...





Our Spotlight for March is 'Female Authors'... perfectly time for International Women's Day. We picked some of our favourites including Jackie Morris, Sue Hendra, Ibtihaj Muhammad and Emily Gravett.

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.