Branston Church of England Infant Academy

Reading News

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Welcome to this academic year's first edition of the Branston Church of England Infant Academy's Reading Newsletter. We believe that Reading is the foundation to all learning that takes place here at school and one of our key aims to help your children to develop a passion for reading that will last them a lifetime. In our Reading Newsletter, we will bring recommendations of books, keep you up to date with any events or news and share our successes with you too. We hope that you find these newsletters informative and helpful. They will be sent out at the beginning of each term for you to read and enjoy.

Happy reading!



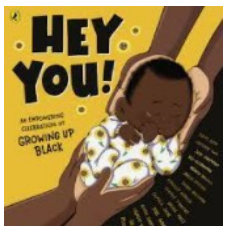
Amazon Wish List

Last year we established an Amazon Wish List for books which parents may like to buy for their child's class. 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. 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 sticker is added.

Please click on the following link to take you to the Wish List: https://amzn.eu/eGXg4zI

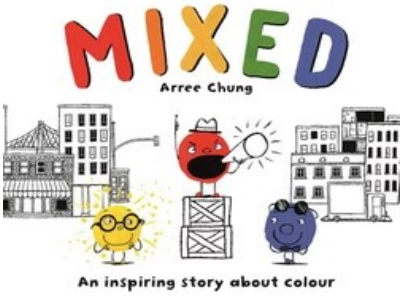
Miss Sneyd's must read books!

This month I have selected three books which celebrate different cultures. All of the books also carry thought provoking messages about acceptance and unity.



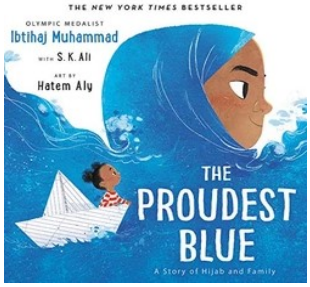
Hey You!

By Dapo Adeola



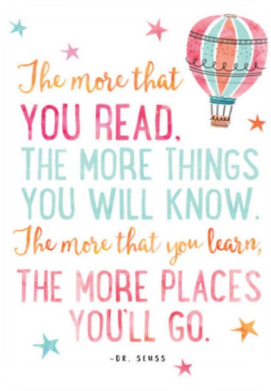
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The Proudest Blue

By Ibtihaj Muhammad



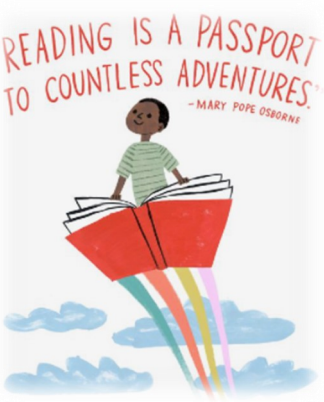
Summer Reading Challenge

Before the end of the summer term, all children were invited to take part in a Reading Challenge. They needed to visit Branston Community Library three times over the course of the summer and get their challenge card stamped in order to complete the challenge. They then returned their completed card to school to receive a treat! We are overwhelmed by the response that this challenge had and were so pleased to see so many children visiting the library during the summer holidays. We hope that it encouraged lots of reading and shared story times with families, and that everyone enjoyed taking part.



Read, Write, Inc. Reading Books

As a school, we have purchased new reading books that will be used in class as well as at home. These will replace the old books which use to be sent home. These new books are all part of the same scheme: Read, Write, Inc (this is the same programme as we use to deliver our phonics teaching across the school). Your children will now bring home a paper copy of the book that they have been reading in class (for that little bit more practise!) as well as a reading book which is new to them and a story book for you to share with your child. We are really excited to start the new reading programme and I hope that you enjoy reading the books with your children at home.



Reading Ambassadors

In each Key Stage 1 class, two children are chosen to be Reading Ambassadors. This is a very important job as they help to decide which books we should have in school, help to design reading areas and look after these areas as well as the books. The Reading Ambassadors promote a love of reading not just in their own class but throughout the school. This year the position will be held by the Reading Ambassadors for two terms before passing the baton on to another to children in their class. I am delight to inform you that the Reading Ambassadors for the Autumn terms are Jack and Brooke (Fox Class), Hunnie and Zayden (Squirrel Class), Elsie-Jade and Jessica (Hedgehog Class). We look forward to following you all in your new roles!

Exciting events this term...

Story Time with Mrs Cook





Each week, Mrs Cook asks all of the children in school to vote between two lovely books as they came into school. Then our wonderful Reading Ambassadors count the votes and Mrs Cook reads the winning story during Collective Worship later in the day. All of the children love to find out which book has won and love listening to the story being read aloud.

Reading Hut Library

We have purchased a new reading hut which will house a whole host of books (both for children and adults) which you can borrow or donate books to. It will be located by the main school gates. Keep your eyes peeled for this fantastic new addition to our school.



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.