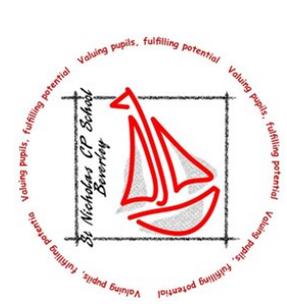


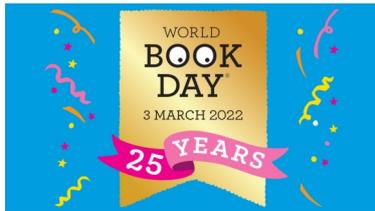
Reading Newsletter

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Welcome to the third edition of the Beverley St Nicholas Reading Newsletter. Every half term we'll be continuing to share some updates about what we are doing to promote Reading for Pleasure across the school. We hope that this newsletter will continue to promote a love of reading within our whole school community.

World Book Day



This year is the 25th Anniversary of World Book Day and will be celebrated on Thursday 3rd March.

During this day we will be enjoying lots of book related activities and celebrating our love of books. Children are invited to come into school on that day, dressed as a book character or bring in their favourite book to share with their class.

Your children will be bringing home a £1 voucher to spend on a book. This can either be redeemed against a book of their choice or against one of the £1 books published specifically for World Book Day. The £1 books include some wonderful titles from well known authors such as Michael Morpurgo, Onjali Rauf, Nadia Shareen and Simon Farnaby. These short books are a great opportunity to get a flavour of an author's books and are designed to inspire children to read more widely.



Our wonderful kitchen staff have kindly offered to supply a drink and a home baked biscuit for children to enjoy during story time. We will be offering this for 60p with all funds being donated to our library fundraising project.

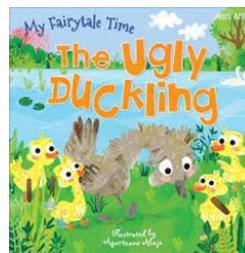
We look forward to sharing with you pictures of all our World Book Day activities via this newsletter and on Class Dojo.

We need you!



Do you have any time to spare? We would love to have a team of willing volunteers to read with our children during the school day. If you have any time available this would be hugely appreciated. Please contact the school office to register your interest.

Pupil's Book Reviews



The Ugly Duckling by Miles Kelly.

Reviewed by Foundation Stage Cheetahs

This story is about an ugly duckling who runs away because no one will be his friend. All the other birds were being mean to him. But one day some swans let him swim in their pond. Then he turns into a swan.

These are quotes from our Cheetahs;

'I liked the story because the ugly duckling turned into a swan and it had a happy ending.'

'I liked it because he was cute and just a funny chick.'

'This book helps us to learn not to be mean to other people'

'I loved it because the ugly duckling was sad and then he was happy when he was a swan.'

It is wonderful to hear even our youngest children are getting the reading bug and are engaging in quality 'book talk'. They are thinking critically about the books they are listening to.

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

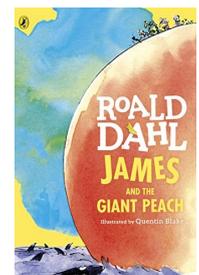
Octopus Class have been enjoying the classic text James and the Giant Peach as their class story.

Some of their comments are:

'Centipede is really funny'

'The aunts are very nasty'

'My favourite part was when the peach rolled down the hill'

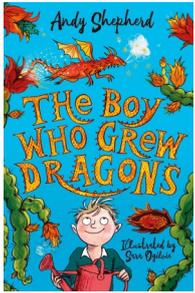


Spotted Reading

More members of our school community have been spotted reading this half term. Has anyone else noticed that Mrs Holmes twiddles her hair when she is engrossed in a book?



Class Reading



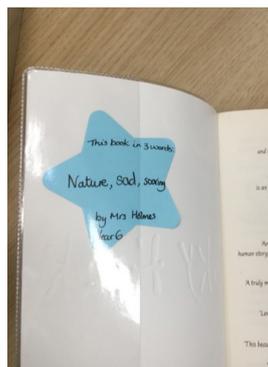
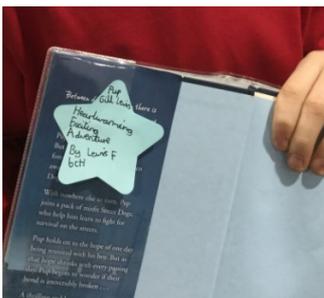
Bella in Giraffe Class has been so engrossed in their class story 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons' by Andy Shepherd. She even discovered a dragon egg at her house which she brought into school to show her class. They had an exciting day watching to see if the egg would hatch like in the book.

Mrs Priday was very worried about potential scorch marks and dragon poo! (apparently dry dragon poo explodes!)



3 Word Reviews

We believe that book talk gets children to discuss why they liked or did not like particular books and it encourages them to think more deeply about the books they read. We are encouraging our children to recommend books they have enjoyed to their peers by putting a post-it note inside the front cover for the next reader to discover. But we have given them a challenge! Can they sum up the book they have read using just three words?



Please ask your child if they can sum up the book they are reading in this way.

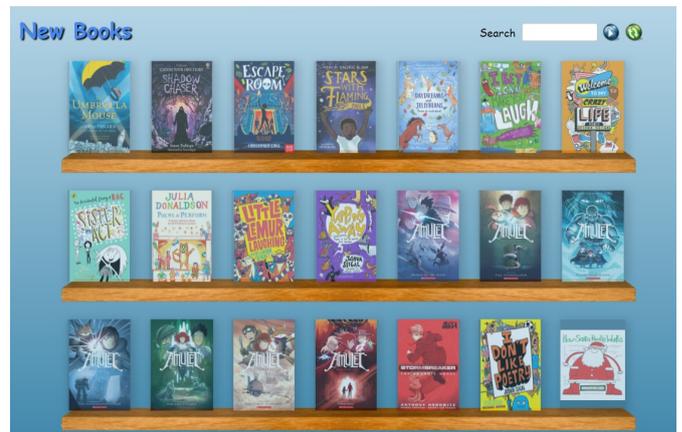
Choose Your Endings Books

Inspired by their current computing lessons which required children to program different endings based on a series of decisions, Leopard Class requested books in which you can choose your own ending. These books have been purchased for the class. We look forward to receiving some feedback and book reviews for these new titles.



New Reading Books

We continue to add lots of new books to our library. Here is a small selection of recent additions this month.



Read around the World

We have recently added a new reading display on the wall in one of our staircases. It shows where many of the books we are reading are set on a world map. We know that books can take you away to many amazing places.

We will add any books suggested by our children. I wonder if we can find a book set in every country around the world? We'll let you know!

