

St Anthony's



Summer 1 2025

READING NEWSLETTER



WELCOME

This half term, the children have continued to listen to and read new stories and books to captivate their imagination. It's always lovely to hear the children talk and share with us what they enjoy reading.

Reading really is the key that unlocks so many doors for our children; well-being, confidence, increased knowledge and extended vocabulary. Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter.

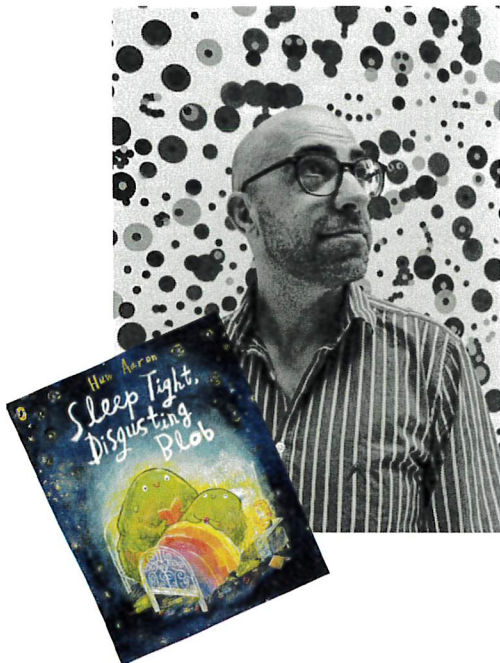
What is in this term's issue?

- Sunshine and Stories
- Recommended Reads
- Reading Quiz

Top Tip

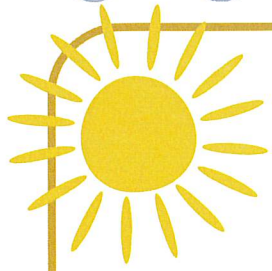
Reading is not just about sitting down with a good book. It's a part of daily life too. As you go through your day help your child look for 'reading moments'. They may be as simple as reading a road sign, grocery list or even following a recipe!

Huw Aaron



All of Key Stage 1 participated in a virtual visit with Huw Aaron. The children learnt all about his new story, 'Sleep Tight, Disgusting Blob'. The rhyming bedtime story is set to disgust and delight sleepy little monsters everywhere. He told us what inspired him with his story! Key Stage 1 each have a copy of the book in their classroom.

Nel and Anna from Year 1 Lisbon loved when Huw Aaron taught them how to draw monsters for their own stories!



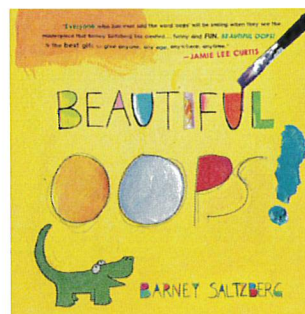
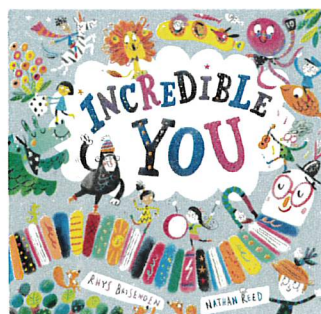
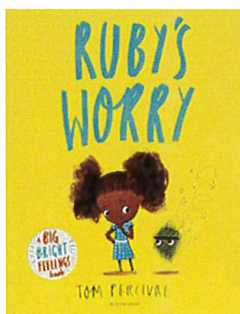
Sunshine and stories.....

The children in Early Years have been enjoying exploring stories in the sunshine. Reading is a great way to relax and provides a great escape for children. Reading opens doors to different world, experiences and perspectives. It encourages creativity and imagination which is so important.



Books can help in many ways. Reading helps children understand and process their emotions. By engaging with stories that show different emotions fosters empathy.

Some of our lovely stories in our school that explore different emotions and promote a positive mind:



[Audio books to help children explore their well-being and emotions](#)

SPOTLIGHT ON RETRIEVING

V-Vocabulary

I - Inferencing

P - Prediction

E - Explanation

R- Retrieve

S - Sequence/Summaries



This newsletter's focus is retrieval.

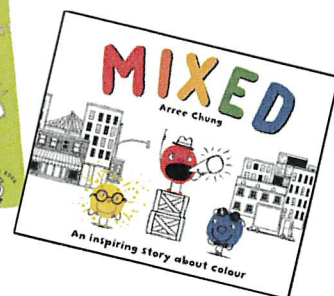
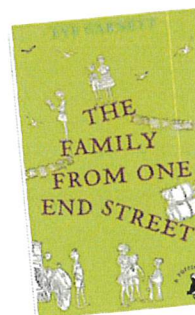
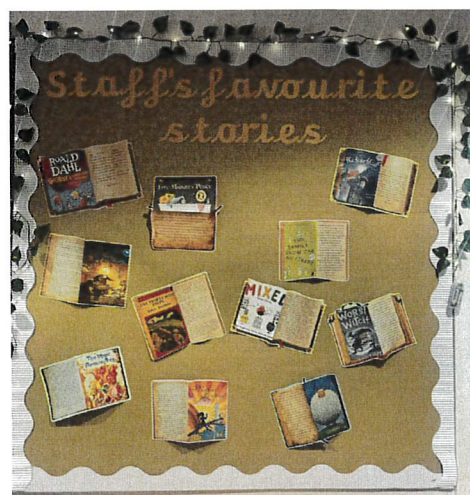
To retrieve is to answer questions that are directly from the text.

What did Goldilocks eat?

Why was Harry used to spiders?

What was revealed at the end?

Some of the staff's childhood favourite books have been displayed in the Year 4 corridor!



RECOMMENDED READS

Nursery - Beyonce I love Elmer it is colourful.

Year 1 P - Jada 'The Hungry Lion' because it's so funny. He is so hungry he eat the little girl.

Year 3 P - Violet Rose 'Charlie and the chocolate factory' because there is a happy ending.

Year 5 L- Thomas 'David Attenborough book'. It has lots of interesting facts! You can also listen to the audio books on Cbeebies! If you have any recommendation, please speak to Corinne or Megan to be featured in our next newsletter.

UPCOMING READING MORNINGS

- 4th June
- 2nd July

Location: Activity Studio

Time: 8:25-8:45

Bring a book and enjoy reading to your child before school.

Last issue was Abbie the Year 4 Padua teacher

Can you guess the mystery reader?

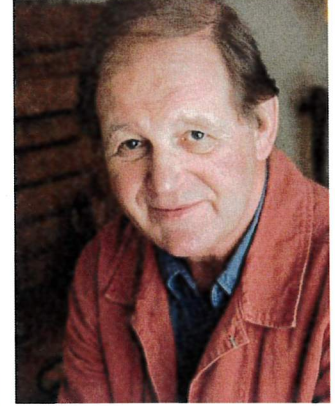
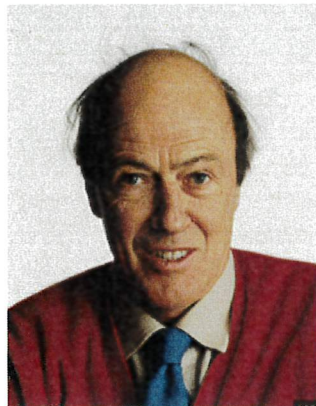
Scan the QR code and see if you can guess who is reading the story.





Authors

Can you name any of these authors?



Children's book emoji Pictionary

Can you guess the title of the children's books by using the emojis?

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2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
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Any completed quizzes can be handed into Megan or Corinne 😊