St Anthony's

Autumn 1 2026

READING NEWSLETTER

Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to a new school year and to our first reading newsletter! As the leaves begin to fall and the evenings get cosier, it's the perfect time to snuggle up with a lovely book and get lost in a story. We're excited to share all the wonderful things happening with reading across our school this half term, along with book recommendations, reading challenges and plenty of inspieration to help everyone discover their next favourite read. Happy reading, everyone! 🙂

What is in this term's issue?

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There's lots of exciting newness in the world of books! We're delighted to see some wonderful new releases arriving, including Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's Gruffalo Granny, bringing more fun from the much-loved Gruffalo world, and Alex T. Smith's The Mystery at Odd-Doings House, perfect for little readers who love a puzzling adventure. There's never been a better time to snuggle up, turn a page and discover a new favourite!

National Poetry Day

On 1st October, our whole school celebrated National Poetry Day by immersing ourselves in the wonderful world of poetry, inspired by this year's theme, Wonder. Children enjoyed listening to a variety of poems and exploring our poetry trails around school, discovering new words, ideas and favourite verses along the way. Our Key Stage 2 children also took part in an exciting live lesson with the fantastic poet Michael Rosen!







Poetry is a wonderful way to nurture a love of reading. It helps children develop their vocabulary, explore the sounds and rhythms of language, use their imagination and discover the joy of playing with words. Most importantly, poetry reminds us that reading can make us laugh, think, feel and see the world in a whole new way! 💛

Reading Chairs

We were so lucky that last year the Year 6's purchased two wonderful story chairs for both playgrounds. It's been so much fun to explore stories during playtime and to have our class story time outside. 🙂



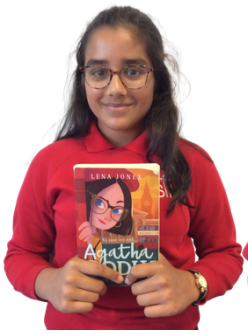






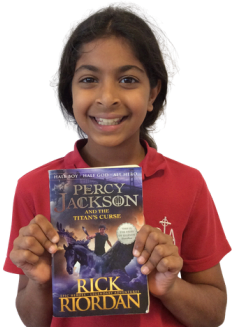
Meet our Year 6 Reading Ambassadors


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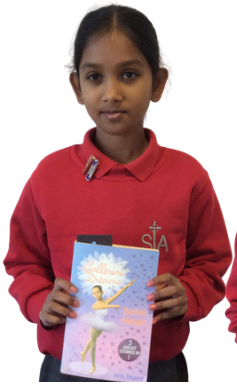

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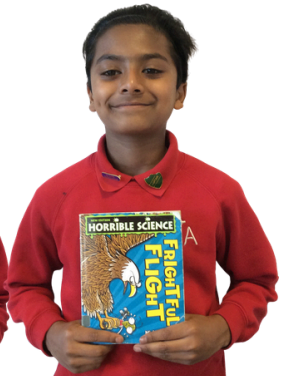

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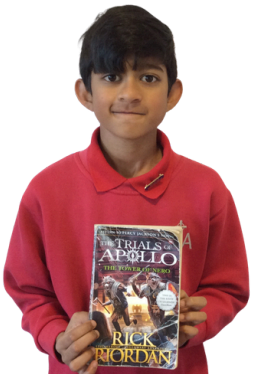

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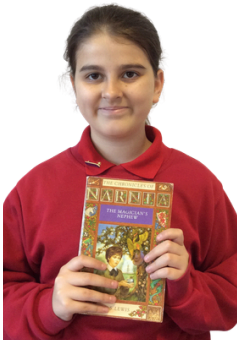

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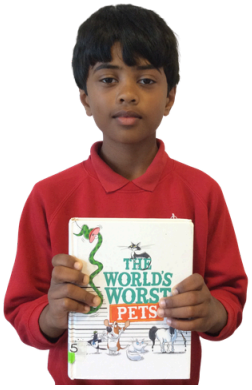

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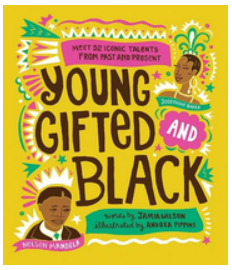

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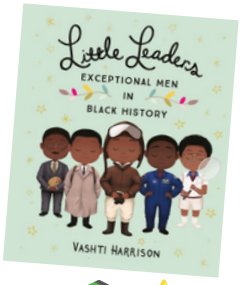

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Our Year 6 Reading Ambassadors are passionate about sharing their love of books and inspiring children across the school to become enthusiastic readers. They'll be helping to promote reading for pleasure and supporting our school reading newsletter with book recommendations, reading news and exciting ideas to get everyone turning the pages!











Celebrating Black History Month 📚🌟

This Black History Month, we have been celebrating the amazing stories, achievements and contributions of Black people, both past and present. Through books and stories, children can discover inspiring role models, learn about different cultures and see the world through someone else's eyes. Sharing stories helps us to celebrate what makes us unique and reminds us that everyone's story matters! ❤️



Autumn Reading Challenge

Colour in a leaf or acorn for each challenge you complete - if you complete please bring it in to show Kevin or Megan

Read a book by an author whose last name begins with the letter A (for autumn)

Read a book with an orange spine

Read a book about nocturnal animals

Read a book that has "fallen" off the shelf.

Read another book by an author who wrote your favourite book.

Read a book under a cosy blanket.



A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported us with their Tesco shopping! We're thrilled to have secured £1,500 for our school library! A special thank you to our Reading Ambassadors and parents who joined our reading morning to help us decide how best to spend it. We can't wait to share photos of our new library additions in the next newsletter!

Reading Mornings

Next half term dates

Our next relaxed reading mornings will be on:

Thursday 26th November

and

Thursday 17th December

We look forward to seeing you there!



See you there!