



Summer 2023

Reading Newsletter

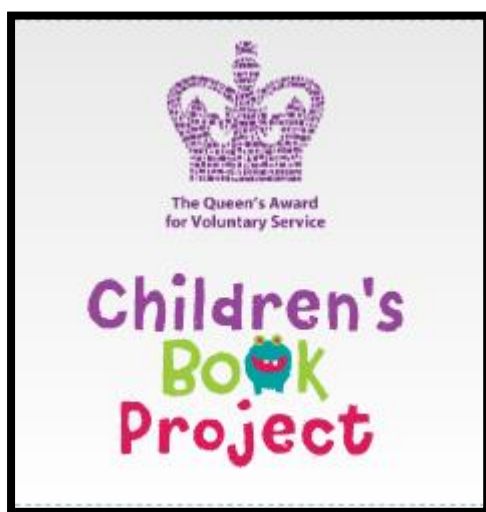


Welcome to the summer edition of Winton's reading newsletter! If you are viewing this online, through ParentMail, please take some time to share this with your child.

Here is an update about the texts the children will be reading across the school during the summer term and some other useful information about reading.

Winton Primary school book drive

A huge thank you for the wonderful book donations. We received an incredible number of high-quality children's books. In fact, we counted nearly 700. Almost 300 of these books have supplemented our school book stock and are being enjoyed by pupils in all year groups. We have also made a significant donation to the Children's Book Project charity which gives the books you have donated to targeted communities across the UK. This will really help disadvantaged pupils across the UK and have a positive impact on academic outcomes and their wellbeing.



Collaboration with Westbourne book store

Some pupils in Year 4 and more recently Year 6, have been working on an exciting project in collaboration with Westbourne book store. We have been given some unpublished books and the pupils have been the first people to read them - EVER! They have written reviews of the book for the website and therefore get to keep the book for free!! It's such a fabulous opportunity to read unpublished books and the website provides a real-world wider audience for their writing. When reading one of our reviews, Sian at Westbourne Bookshop said "I absolutely LOVE this review, and he's convinced me that it's an amazing book. This is exactly what we need more of in the world: Little Bookworms!" We are very much looking forward to continuing and developing this work over the summer term with a wider number of pupils.

Year 4 book review

This is a very good book. I loved it. It's about a girl called Daisy Thistledown whose mother (a botanist) goes to the Amazon Rainforest and goes missing. Daisy escapes from her boarding school and goes to London on the train. She goes all over London on a secret trail (including a visit to Kew Gardens) to hide from the evil Craven who is trying to catch her. She then finds a magical door leading to Greenwild.

Daisy meets a group called the '5 o'clock club' and they work together to try to find out what happened to her mum. They have lots of adventures. My favourite part of the book was when The 5 o'clock club went to Chiverly Chase, this part was a real adventure where they had to sneak past guards and work as a team.

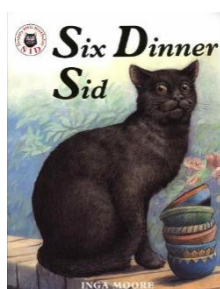
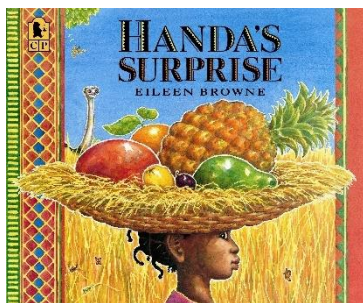


The book is really magical and through all of the adventures there are secrets that Daisy finds out about too! It has friendship, adventure and magic. What more could you want in a book! It is a very adventurous book - I would give it 5 out of 5 stars.

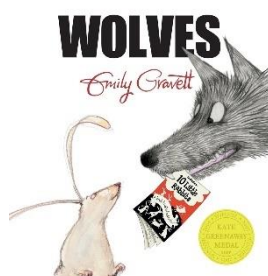
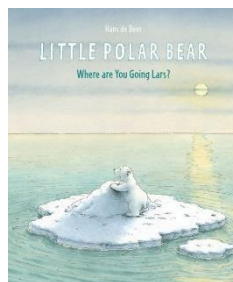


Summer term texts for Winton Primary

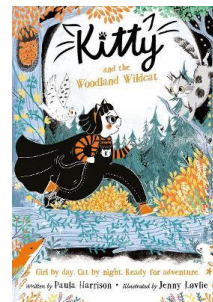
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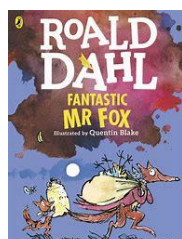
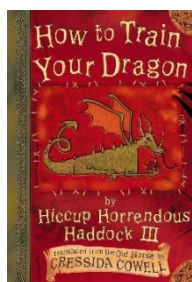
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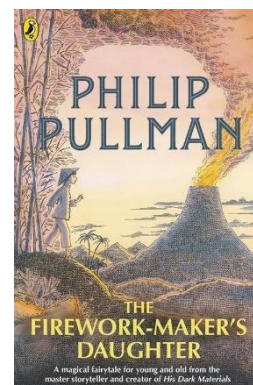
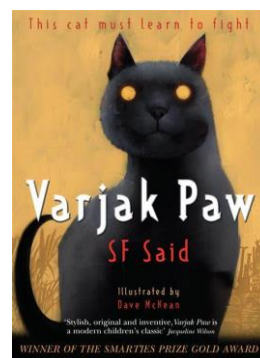
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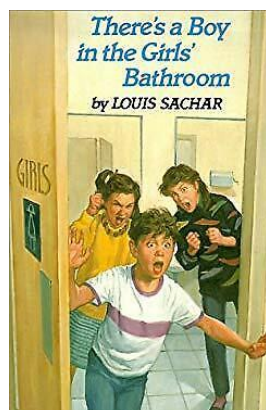
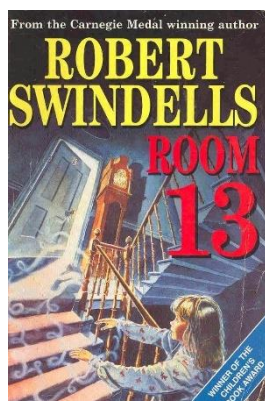
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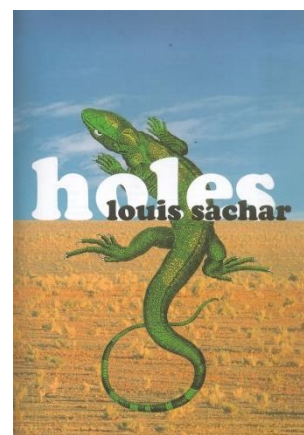
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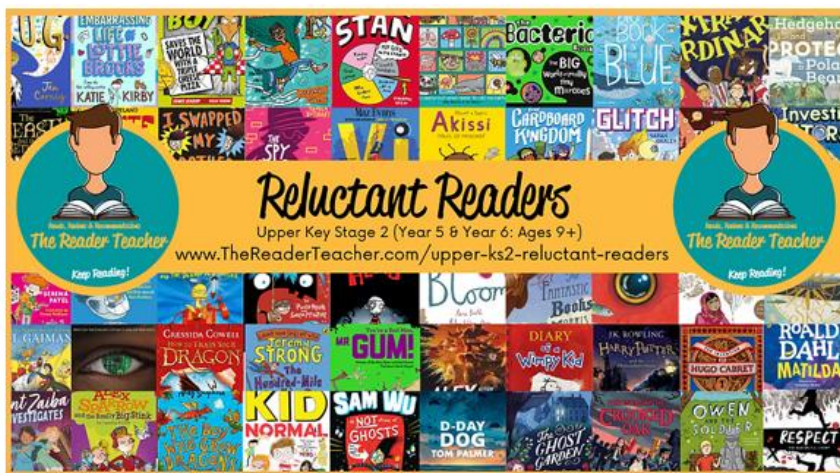


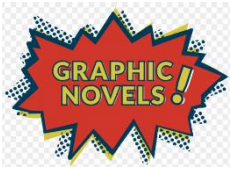
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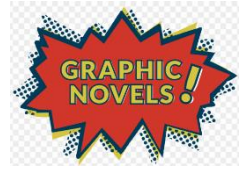
Reluctant Readers

It is difficult trying to entice reluctant readers but there are so many wonderful genres, written by thousands of authors, that it is possible to find some texts that your child will enjoy. Often, it is just knowing where to start. Try matching books to their hobbies, interests and passions. It is important that we don't simply restrict books to fiction and non-fiction. Picture books are just as important. Where a child finds it difficult to digest large blocks of text, try a selection of super readable stories, illustrated fiction and diary-style books. Information books are also great for children who find it easier processing quick and quirky facts. Providing a child with a book where they have seen the film version is another favourable way to engage interest from the start. Colour fiction books are also growing in popularity and help bring stories to life.





Graphic Novels



Graphic novels can appeal to reluctant readers and able readers alike and are also a great way to approach more challenging reading themes through an accessible and non-threatening medium.

1. Graphic novels are full of text.

Yes, they have drawings, illustrations, and sometimes photos, but they also have text that readers must actually decode, analyse, and comprehend.

With graphic novels, children still must follow plots and character development. They must understand cause and effect, and they must learn about perspective. All of these things will improve reading comprehension.

2. Graphic novels are engaging.

Often, especially for reluctant readers, graphic novels add the extra support children need to help them through a text. The combination of text and pictures can be particularly captivating, providing context for stories that kids might not completely understand otherwise.

3. Graphic novels are high-quality reading material.

Just like traditional novels, graphic novels have exciting and complex plots, characters, and conflicts. The plots have twists and turns. Characters are developed and dynamic. Conflicts are presented, unwound, and resolved like they are in other texts. The only difference is that graphic novels have more images to support the development.

Recommended Graphic Novels

Tom's Midnight Garden Graphic Novel by Philippa Pearce

A pictorially sumptuous presentation of the modern classic and prize winning children's story. When Tom is sent to live with his aunt and uncle in the country, he thinks it will be a dull summer. That's until the grandfather clock strikes 13 and he find himself in another time and an adventure from which he doesn't want to return.



A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

An adapted and accessible version of the classic sci-fi mystery. Ideal for children who like science and complex philosophical ideas, but who are less keen on reading. Ideal for a KS2 library.



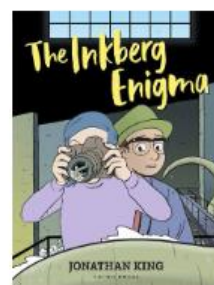
Alastair Humphreys' Great Adventurers by Alastair Humphreys

20 amazing journeys by 20 amazing real-life heroes and heroines who explored the world (and beyond) for the first time. This would make a great addition to any primary class or school library.



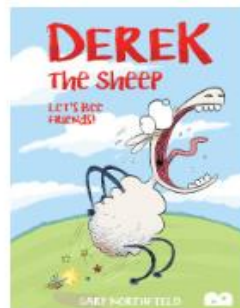
The Inkberg Enigma by Jonathan King

A gripping mystery set in a sleepy fishing town with dark secrets. When bookish Miro and inquisitive Zia are thrown together they are quickly drawn into a world of seafaring drama. With stylish graphics and fast-moving dialogue, this is ideal for years 5&6.



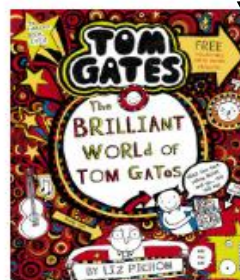
Derek The Sheep: Let's Bee Friends by Gary Northfield

The first of a series of sheep-based adventures. Very popular with reluctant readers. Derek – a grumbling and moody sheep – is driven round the bend by the other farmyard animals in this laugh out loud comic strip.



The Brilliant World of Tom Gates by Liz Pichon

More a novel with graphics than a graphic novel, this book has been a hit in every school I've visited. There's an expanding series of these – ideal for children who want more and more of the same. Schools should consider buying hardbacks since paperbacks might not survive the sheer volume of page-turning! A must-read for any children who don't like school.



The Witches Graphic Novel by Roald Dahl

A bright, colourful and contemporary treatment of the classic yet dark Roald Dahl children's story. The accessible style will appeal to reluctant readers. The version could be particularly useful for ESL and SpLD pupils reading this text for whole-class reading in mixed ability classes.



AMAZING!

BRILLIANT!

Recommended reads by age

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| Reception |     | |
| Year 1 |     | |
| Year 2 |     | |
| Year 3 |     | |
| Year 4 |     | |
| Year 5 |     | |
| Year 6 |     | |

Join the library

Are you a member of your local library? Do you know the benefits of being a member?

- It's free to join
- Free access to an amazing selection of books
- eBooks and eAudio books can be borrowed
- Events for you to meet authors and develop your story telling skills
- A book you want isn't there? They will order it in for you!



To join your local library, either pop in with your grown up or follow this link: [Join a library](https://www.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/join-a-library)
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Vocabulary

These words have been taken from our whole school vocabulary list for the summer term. To keep you on your toes this term, can you spot these words in books, on TV or when people are talking?

hunt

Can you write down what they mean and use them in a sentence?

Reception
warn, reflect,
shelter

Year 2
submerge,
vague,
construct

Year 5
robust,
vindictive,
precede

Year 1
observe,
predict,
responsible

Year 3
seize,
vigorous,
sufficient

Year 4
amend,
subsequent,
sufficient

Year 6
plausible,
sublime,
trepidation

Important links

Winton's approach to reading <https://www.wintonprimary.uk/reading>

Winton's approach to phonics www.wintonprimary.uk/phonics

Oxford Owl library <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

BCP Libraries <https://www.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/Libraries/Libraries.aspx>

KS1 Book Quiz

1 What kind of sandwiches are Paddington's favourite?

- a. Jam
- b. Marmite
- c. Marmalade

2 What is the name of Claude the dog's owners in the books written by Alex T. Smith?

- a. Mr and Mrs Shinyshoes
- b. Mr and Mrs Bobblysocks
- c. Mr and Mrs Smileyfaces

3 Who illustrates the *Oi Frog!* series and is also 2018's World Book Day illustrator?

- a. Lauren Child
- b. Jim Field
- c. Steven Lenton

4 What is the name of the town in which the Mr Gum series is set?

- a. Laconic Fibber
- b. Lamonic Bibber
- c. Lastonic Kidder

5 In which fantasy land is the *Beast Quest* series set?

- a. Narnia
- b. Avandia
- c. Atlantis

6 What are the names of Greg Heffley's brothers in the *Wimpy Kid* series?

- a. Rodney and Mark
- b. Richard and Martin
- c. Rodrick and Manny

7 What kind of animal is Mog in the books by Judith Kerr?

- a. Dog
- b. Cat
- c. Mouse

8 What is name of Lola's older brother in the series by Lauren Child?

- a. Marley
- b. Harley
- c. Charlie

9 What kind of animal is the main character in Rob Biddulph's *Blown Away* and *Sunk!* books?

- a. A penguin
- b. A dog
- c. A seagull

10 In Jonny Duddle's *The Pirates Next Door* and *The Jolley Rogers* series, what is the name of the town that the pirates visit and that Matilda lives in?

- a. Dreary-on-Sea
- b. Dull-on-Sea
- c. Boring-on-Sea

11 What school does Mildred Hubble attend in *The Worst Witch*?

- a. Miss Cackle's Academy
- b. Hogwarts
- c. Bloor's Academy

12 In *The Wind in the Willows*, what creatures take over Toad Hall whilst Toad is in prison?

- a. Weasels and Stoats
- b. Ravens and Crow
- c. Lions and Tigers

13 In the Phoenix comic series *Bunny vs Monkey* by Jamie Smart, what type of animal is Stinky?

- a. A rat
- b. A skunk
- c. A dog

14 In *The Twits* by Roald Dahl, what does Mrs Twit put into Mr Twit's spaghetti?

- a. Mud
- b. Worms
- c. Flies

15 What colour is Mr Happy in the *Mr Men* books?

- a. Orange
- b. Red
- c. Yellow

16 What job does Rosie Revere want to have in the book by Andrea Beaty and David Roberts?

- a. Engineer
- b. Doctor
- c. Scientist

17 What is the name of Tom Gates' annoying sister?

- a. Daisy
- b. Delia
- c. Delilah

18 What is Amelia Fang in the series by Laura Ellen Anderson?

- a. A fairy
- b. A vampire
- c. A yeti

19 This item of clothing has been stolen from both Bear and Fish in the books by Jon Klassen. What is it?

- a. A scarf
- b. A sock
- c. A Hat

20 What is the name of the boy in *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak?

- a. Max
- b. Mark
- c. Mike

19.c, 20.a
16.a, 17.b, 18.b
13.b, 14.b, 15.c
10.b, 11.a, 12.a
7.b, 8.a, 9.a
4.b, 5.b, 6.c
1.c, 2.a, 3.b

ANSWERS



Picture Book Quiz

Can you guess each book based on just the pictures below?



The Red Book



The Lion Inside



The Three Robbers



The Lion and the Mouse



O! Duck-Billed Platypus



Elmer

Word search

Put your scanning skills to the test and see how quickly you can complete the wordsearches below.

Famous Authors

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ROALD DAHL
DAVID WALLIAMS
J K ROWLING
JEFF KINNEY
CHARLES DICKENS
JULIA DONALDSON
ENID BLYTON
JILL TOMLINSON

Harry Potter

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RAVENCLAW
HERMIONE
WIZARDRY
DUMBLEDORE
HIPPOGRIFF
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