



St Leos and Southmead Reading Newsletter

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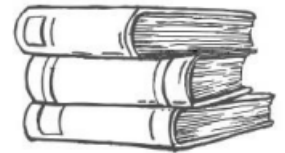
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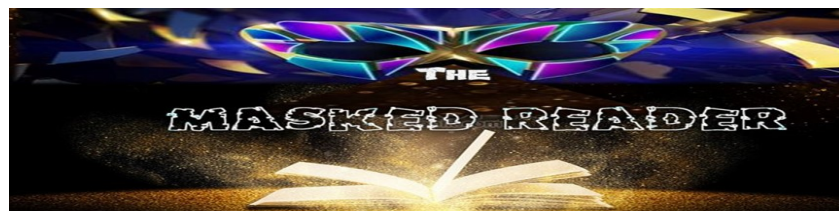
Year One Parents and Carers are invited to a Read Write Inc Phonics workshop at 9am on Thursday 6th October 2022 in the school hall. This is an opportunity to find out how Read Write Inc is used in Year One.

Reception Parents and Carers are invited to a Read Write Inc Phonics workshop at 2.15pm on Wednesday 12th October 2022 in the school hall. This is an opportunity to find out how Read Write Inc is used in Reception.

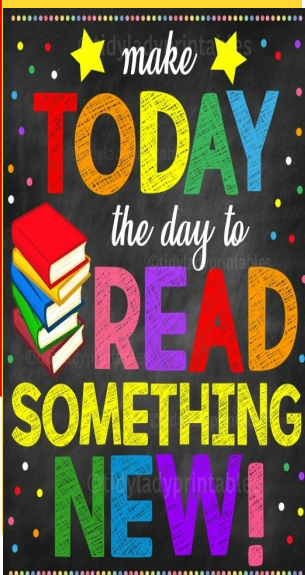
Welcome to the first reading newsletter of the new academic year! This is our new way of sharing all of the exciting reading activities going on in school along with book recommendations and reading activities for our school community to explore.



On Thursday 6th of October we will be celebrating National Poetry Day. Throughout the day the children will be taking part in lots of fun activities reading, performing and writing poems and rhymes. The children are invited to bring into school any poetry or rhyme books they have at home to read and explore with their friends in class. Watch out for videos and photographs on class dojo sharing our whole school celebration of poetry.



You've all heard of 'The Masked Singer', the surreal and surprising singing show that asks: "Who is behind the mask?" Well now, just for the community of St. Leo's and Southmead School, we have 'The Masked Reader' as part of our school National Poetry Day celebrations our staff have donned a mask whilst they read a poem. We would like to challenge all of our children to guess who is behind the mask reading each poem! Starting on Monday 3rd October videos will be posted on the whole school page. We are asking the children to write down the name of the staff member behind the mask after watching each video. After watching the final recording on Friday 7th October each child needs to send a photograph on dojo to their class teacher of their list of names for each masked reader. Winning entries will be announced in the whole school assembly on Monday 10th October during which prizes will be delivered to the winners



We'd love to see photographs of the children reading at home with their family and friends if possible send a photograph on class dojo as a message or on the portfolio pages. Photographs shared will be used in school to create a whole school display.



Birthday Books

Following the success of Birthday Books last year we are very excited to continue celebrating birthdays throughout the school using birthday books to continue the celebrations for many more years. Each birthday book donated is read in class before having a special birthday label added recording the name of the child celebrating alongside the date donated. All books donated are then added to the class libraries to be enjoyed for many more years to come. Since returning in September we have received 12 beautiful birthday books which will be enjoyed for many years to come. If you would like to share in this wonderful birthday celebration scheme, if you are unsure of what books to donate we have compiled wish lists of age appropriate books-these can be found on the school website under the Reading section and upon each class page. Please do not feel you have to buy one of the books on the list these are just suggestions donations of any children's books will be celebrated and enjoyed by all for many, many years to come.

IT ADDS UP!

If you read just 15 minutes a day, in one year you will have read over 1,000,000 words!

Source: Statisticbrain.com



Prescot Library

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Groups and Activities

<p>Adults</p> <p>Prescot Readers PRESCOT READERS First Tuesday monthly 2:15pm</p> <p>GAMES MORNINGS Tuesday 10:30am – 12pm</p> <p>Knit & Natter KNIT AND NATTER Friday 1pm</p>	<p>Children</p> <p>GAMES CLUB Wednesday 3pm – 4:30pm Saturday 10:30am – 12pm</p> <p>LEGO BUILDERS Thursday 3pm – 4:30pm Saturday 10:30am – 12pm</p> <p>Sing and Story SING AND STORY Friday 11am</p>
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The Prescot Centre, Prescot Shopping Centre, L34 5GA

Poetry Recommendations

EYFS



A collection of Michael Rosen's poems for very young children, with delightful colour illustrations by Chris Riddell. The poems are accessible and playful, designed to capture elements of life that very small children can relate to.

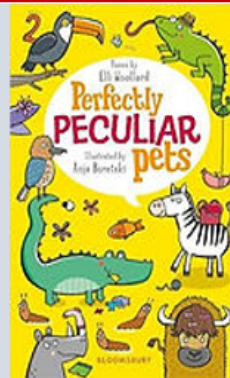


Poetry meets science and art in this beautiful picture book anthology of sea-themed poems. Each double-page spread explores a different aspect of the sea, from pebbles and sandcastles to whales and puffins to lighthouses and sailors.

KS1

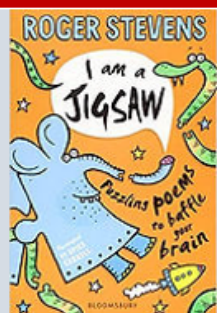


A collection of sixteen energetic poems and rhymes to ignite the senses, with topics including fireworks, food, dragons and splashy puddles. Colourful illustrations make the book a delight to look at as well as to listen to being read aloud.

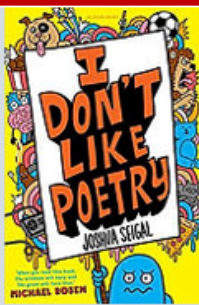


We love this whacky A-Z of weird and wonderful pets. With a different pet poem for each letter of the alphabet (from armadillos to zebras via kookaburras to umbrella birds!), the poems are quirky and energetic, making them perfect to read aloud.

Lower KS2



A collection of poems for children who love solving brainteasers and cracking codes. The illustrated anthology includes riddles, acrostics, kennings and paradiddles.



This collection of poems was shortlisted for the 2017 Laugh Out Loud Book Awards and it is not hard to see why, as each poem is designed to raise a chuckle

Upper KS2



This collection of witty and intriguing poems that stir the imagination was the winner of the 2017 CLIPPA poetry award. The poems are lively, thought-provoking and are likely to be enjoyed for their humour and themes including magic, space, relationships, family life and human emotion.



Three children's poets come together to create a collection of positive poems about looking after the planet. The poems in this stirring and topical volume explore the theme of sustainability encouraging positive steps that make an impact on the world around us.