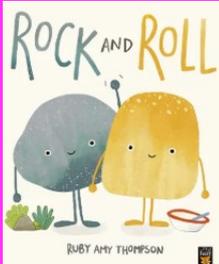


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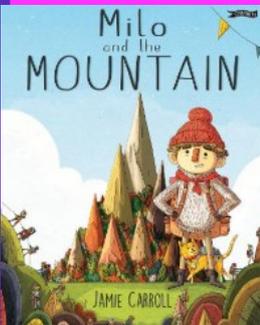
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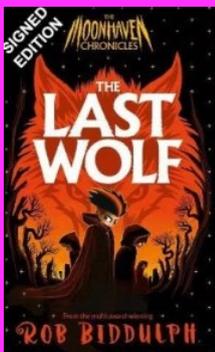
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Win a £10 book token!

February Reading Challenge!

To celebrate the National Year of Reading, there will be a new reading challenge each month. Show us your completed challenge on Dojo (message or photo) and be entered into a monthly prize draw.

To celebrate National Storytelling Week (2nd-8th February), read your favourite book aloud to somebody at home or at school! You could read to a pet, family member, teddy... upload your picture onto Dojo to share with us.

Thank you and well done to everyone who entered the January reading challenge!

This month's winner of a £10 book token is...

Elsbeth



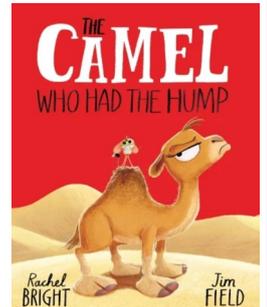
Congratulations!

Mrs Ibbotson's Books of the Month



The Final Year by Matt Goodfellow is one of the most moving books I have ever read. It is a verse novel for older readers and it tackles deep emotions in a thought-provoking and relatable way. It is best enjoyed alongside David Almond's Skellig which is a masterclass in storytelling!

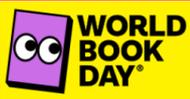
A delightful read by the same authors who brought us 'The Gecko and the Echo', 'The Way Home for Wolf' and 'The Squirrels who Squabbled', this eye-catching picture book carries an important message for young children.



National Storytelling Week!

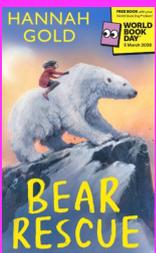
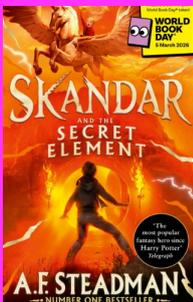
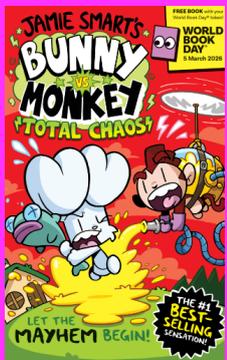
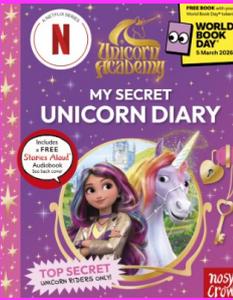
Children across the Federation have enjoyed National Storytelling Week—from reading with their buddies, listening to guest storytellers, or creating their own mini-books!





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World Book Day Activities

To celebrate World Book Day on **Thursday 5th March**, we are hosting a 'Reading for Pleasure' event at both schools. At Spennithorne, you are invited to join us from 8.50-9.15 to share a book blanket in your child's class. At Middleham, pop along at 3pm to choose a book to borrow from school. A form will be sent before the event so you can let us know if you will be attending.

Book Swap!

We will be holding a 'book swap' event on World Book Day and we are inviting you to choose a book that you would like to give to another person in your class. Once you have chosen your book, wrap it up and write some clues about its contents on the wrapping... don't give away the title! Each child will then unwrap a book to take home. What new read will you swap your book for?



Dress your best!

This World Book Day, we are inviting you to dress as one of your favourite book characters.

Time to get creative—how much of your costume can you make at home?



If you can, bring your book with you so that we can see the character brought to life!

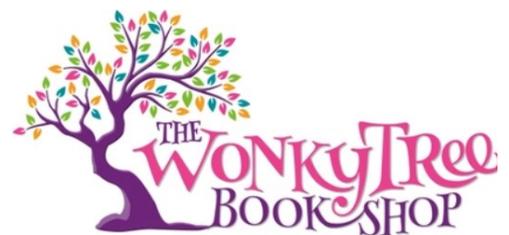
Online events

During the week, children will have the opportunity to participate in several online reading events, such as sharing poetry with Michael Rosen, taking part in 'The Big Footy Quiz' or joining a live draw-along session with the creator of 'Beastie Bros' David O'Connell.

We will share pictures of the children participating in these events on your Class Dojo page.

Wonky Tree Bookshop

Our lovely local booksellers will be popping in for a visit to celebrate World Book Day.



They will be bringing in a selection of World Book Day books for the children to spend their voucher on. Take a sneak peek at some of the titles in the selection on the left of this page!

