



FISHBOURNE READS

OUR READING FOR PLEASURE NEWSLETTER

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Hi little Fish and welcome to our first Fishbourne Reads newsletter of the new academic year. This issue is jam packed with news about exciting new titles for you to devour and a special guest interview with our lovely new Year 4 teacher, Miss Grant! We also have news on what Sophy Henn, our amazing Patron of Reading has been up to and the date she will be visiting us next!



Exciting news!

Pizazz Book FIVE is now out. Pizazz Vs Everyone is available in bookshops, libraries (and a few of our classrooms too!). Isn't it amazing to think we have followed the journey of Pizazz since we first met Sophy when she shared with us some of her original sketches and initial ideas. Since then, Pizazz has gone from strength to strength and is as loved as Bad Nana! We couldn't be more proud to see the journey she's

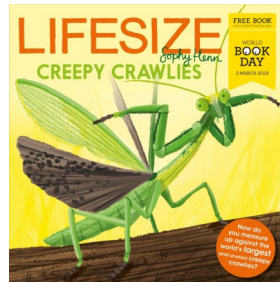
been on (and we LOVE the fact that our very own Elephant Class and Mrs Harris also star in the story... how very cool is that?!)

BEING A SUPERHERO IS THE BEST THING EVER, RIGHT? WRONG!

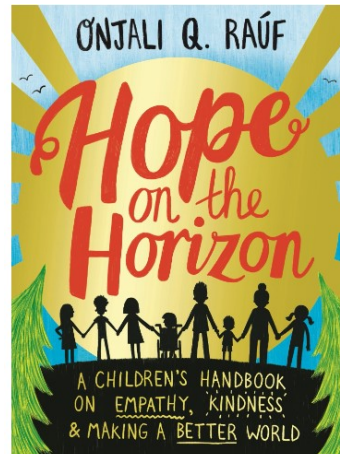
Everyone's favourite 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ -year-old reluctant **superhero** is back, and she's facing her biggest challenge yet... **EVERYONE** (and **EVERYTHING**)! Will it all prove too much? Will **Pizazz** manage to keep using her powers for good? Or will this push her over the edge to... **THE DARK SIDE**?

Sophy has also been commissioned to produce one of the World Book Day Books which you will be able to buy with your WBD token in 2023. Come on an adventure to discover how **YOU** measure up against some of the world's most incredible **LIFESIZE** creepy crawlies - from the teeny tiny to the absolutely gigantic!

You can have your very own sneak preview here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m64YJ8v6Tbg>



Sophy Henn will be coming in again to visit us on Thursday 8th December. Sophy will be spending the afternoon in school updating us on all her adventures, as well as telling us a thing or two about her newest project and updating us on the progress of Pizazz 6—The Finale—which she is half way through already!



We are launching a brand new club for children in Y4, 5 and 6 which starts after half term on Thursday's between 3.20 and 4.00pm.

Come along to share in this incredibly inspiring book with lots of opportunities to reflect about how we can make the world a better place to be! This book group is open to all children in Year 4, 5 and 6. You are warmly welcome to attend! Please complete the Parentmail sign up so that we know who to expect!

Onjali Rauf has written lots of brilliant books, many of which you may have read or seen in our library. Onjali's books set out to help the children of today understand and deal with a range of issues that they can relate to in an engaging way. Onjali is also an activist—that means someone who campaigns to bring about change.



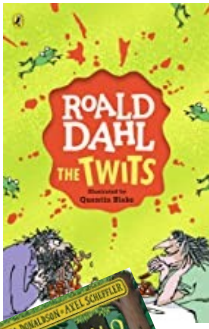
The Boy at the Back of the Class

There used to be an empty chair at the back of Mrs. Khan's classroom, but on the third Tuesday of the school year a new kid fills it: nine-year-old Ahmet, a Syrian refugee. The whole class is curious about this new boy—he doesn't seem to smile, and he doesn't talk much. But after learning that Ahmet fled a "Very Real War" and was separated from his family along the way, a determined group of his classmates band together to concoct the Greatest Idea in the World—a magnificent plan to reunite Ahmet with his loved ones

The Star Outside my Window

Ten-year-old Aniyah and her little brother Noah find themselves living in foster care after the sudden disappearance of their mum. With her life in disarray, Aniyah knows just one thing for sure: her mum isn't gone forever. Aniyah believes that the people with the brightest hearts never truly disappear. They become stars. When scientists discover a new star acting strangely, Aniyah knows it's really her mum. To make sure everyone else knows, too, she embarks on the adventure of a lifetime—one that involves breaking into the Royal Observatory of London, and meeting the biggest star in Hollywood.

Introducing Miss Grant, our lovely new Year 4 teacher. We thought it would be fun to get to know Miss Grant a bit better...



What is your favourite book of all time?

The Twits and The Gruffalo

Where do you enjoy reading?

Snuggled up on the sofa or on a sun lounger on holiday!

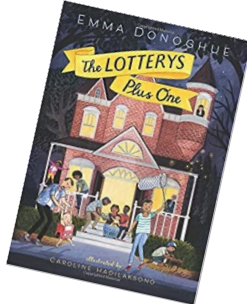
If you could meet any author, who would it be?

Charlie Mackesy

What are you reading at the moment?

The Lottery's Plus One

Here's one of Charlie Mackesy's quotes from his beautiful book 'The Mole, The Fox, The Horse and The Boy' which we have enjoyed in school a number of times over the years. Did you know this is being released as a film over the Christmas holidays? You may be able to enjoy it on AppleTV+ on Christmas Day!



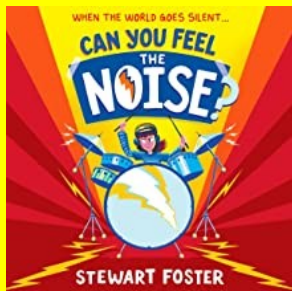
"What do you want to be when you grow up?"



"Kind" said the boy

New Releases

If you would like to be our guest reviewer this month, please do let Mrs Day know!



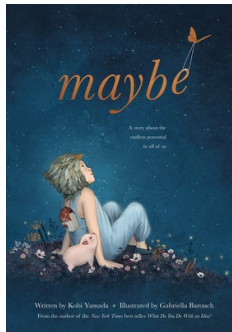
A profound story about inner strength and perseverance in the face of a life-changing event.

Life is going well for Sophie. She's getting by at school, has some pretty awesome friends and their band have made it through to the semi-finals of the Battle of the Bands competition.

But when Sophie wakes up completely deaf one morning, the life she once knew seems like a distant memory. With lessons replaced by endless hospital appointments, and conversations now an exercise in lip-reading, Sophie grows quieter and quieter. Until she discovers the vibrations of sound through an old set of drums and wonders whether life onstage is actually still within reach.

Picture book recommendations...

Here are some of the books we love that support our vision for Fishbourne Primary School which would make a brilliant addition to any bookshelf at home!

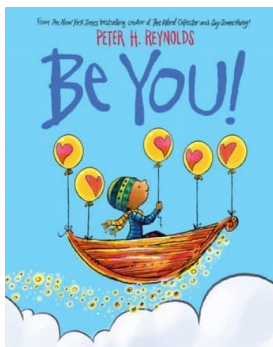
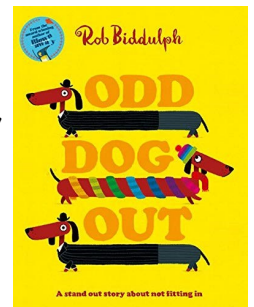


Maybe by Kobi Yamada

This is a stunning book about the endless potential in all of us: 'You are the only you there ever has been or ever will be. You are unique. Just the odds of you being here at this exact place and this exact time are so great and so rare that they will never happen again. This is a story for everything you will do and everything you could be. It's for who you are right now, and it's for all the magical, unbounded potential you hold inside.'

Odd Dog Out by Rob Biddulph

It's a dog's life in the big city but there's someone who doesn't quite fit in. It's lonely being the odd dog out, so she packs her case and travels around the world to try to find her place in it. Maybe it'll take a different kind of journey for her to discover that the place she's meant to be is right back where she started.



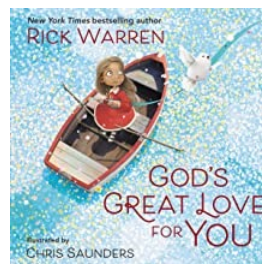
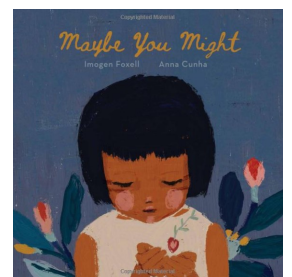
Be You! By Peter H. Reynolds

Be curious...
Be adventurous...
Be brave...
BE YOU!

Reynolds reminds readers to be your own work of art. To be patient, persistent, and true. Because there is one, and only one, YOU.

Maybe you might by Imogen Foxell
They said I couldn't change the world; it wasn't worth the fight. But in my head, a small voice said...maybe you might.

A young girl makes a choice to plant a seed by a long dead riverbed. Little does she know that from this single, small act, a vibrant ecosystem will grow. This inspiring poem - bursting with hope for a greener world - is a love letter to our ailing planet. It shows us that even when the future appears most bleak, each one of us can make a difference.



God's Great Love for You by Rick Warren

Pastor Rick Warren, takes children on a whimsical and heartfelt journey that reminds them God's love is with them wherever they go. God's great love created the entire universe and everything in it, including you!



Can you help?

We would absolutely **love** to hear about what you have been reading over the half term break! Could you review one of the books you read this summer and send it in for the second edition of the autumn term? You can send it to: head@fishbourneprimary.co.uk and it we will be delighted to include it in the next edition!