



FISHBOURNE READS

THE READING FOR PLEASURE NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the very first edition of Fishbourne Reads! Our Reading for Pleasure newsletter is created by the children for our whole school community to enjoy. In this issue you will find: The Summer Reading Challenge; Must-reads for each year group; An interview with Sophy Henn, our Patron of Reading; Book recommendations from the Editorial Team; a write-up of Sophy Henn's visit to us and some important facts about Reading for Pleasure.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Reading for Pleasure club challenged us to do lots of activities to involve us in the magical world of books. The range of ages from Year R to Year 6 enjoyed the pleasure of reading every day. My favourite picture that was sent in was Rachel reading under water! **By Isla, Tiger class**

For the summer reading challenge, I read 'Enchanted Wood' sitting up a tree! I loved that you could do things inside and outside, because it was summer. Where do you like to read?
By Imogen, Panther class



Make sure you visit the display in the hall to see what everyone got up to. A huge well done and thank you to everyone who took part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge!

MUST READ BOOKS FOR EVERY AGE!

These books were recommended by teachers and children in each year group. Enjoy!

- Year R:** The Ugly Five by Julia Donaldson and Axel Sheffler
- Year 1:** Harper and the Scarlet Umbrella by Cerrie Burnell & Laura Ellen Anderson
- Year 2:** Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown
- Year 3:** The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd
- Year 4:** Malamander by Thomas Taylor
- Year 5:** A Pinch of Magic by Michelle Harrison
- Year 6:** The Land of Roar by Jenny McLachlan

MEERKAT CLASS FACE-TIMES STEWART FOSTER!

Meerkat class had the incredible privilege of face-timing Stewart Foster, author of Checkmates, All the Things That Could Go Wrong, Bubble Boy and We Used to be Kings. We face-timed him, as in our Book Talk sessions we are focusing on his latest book, Checkmates. We were all extremely excited when we heard the ringtone and immediately answered it. Mr Cutting had selected a few children to read out their questions, and we all loved hearing Stewart's responses. One of the questions being: Why, in Checkmates, do you make Felix have ADHD? (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) Stewart's response was; "Earlier in my life, I found I couldn't concentrate on set tasks. I later discovered that I myself had ADHD!" This shows what can happen if you really emerge yourself in a book! **By Libby, Meerkat class**

AN INTERVIEW WITH...

Sophy Henn



Patron of Reading

The Fishbourne Reads Editorial Team interviewed Sophy Henn during her visit to us last month. We asked her all about reading and her thoughts on it.

Editorial Team: Why is reading so important?

Sophy Henn: That is a good question and an important question. Reading is so important. I see myself as a patron of reading and a patron of books. No matter how you are feeling, no matter what you are like, someone somewhere has written a book about it and you can feel comforted by that. You can escape in to another world and you can learn facts. Books are like different pocket portals in to another world.

Editorial Team: Where do you like to read?

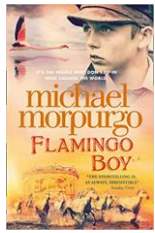
Sophy: There's two places I do nearly all my reading. Bed! That's why I only read paperbacks, as hardbacks hurt when you fall asleep with them! And the other place is trains, as I do a lot of travelling. I also listen to a lot of audio books when I'm drawing as I find it keeps me focused.

Editorial Team: Is reading special to you?

Sophy: Yes, very special. I've always loved reading even before I could read. My Dad remembers me sitting on the sofa with a Famous Five book pretending to read it, although it was upside down! Books are magical, magical things. You can understand so much of the world around you by reading.

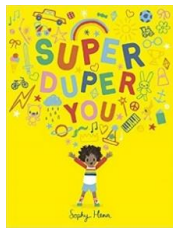


EDITORIAL TEAM BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



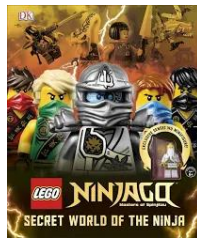
A book that I loved and is special to me is Flamingo Boy by Michael Morpurgo. I like it because it is about France winning the war against Germany. The main character, Lorenzo, is the flamingo boy in the story. He is called that because he can read flamingos minds! In the story, Lorenzo helps injured and baby flamingos to fly. I give this book 10 out of 10.

By Toby, Koala class



I like books. Reading is so very important. You get to look at the words and pictures. I like reading in the quiet area outside. Super Duper You is my favourite book. It is by Sophy Henn. Sophy Henn is the best! Super Duper You tells us to be bold, be proud, be brilliant, be super duper you! I like reading at bedtime. When do you like reading?

By Mia, Penguin class



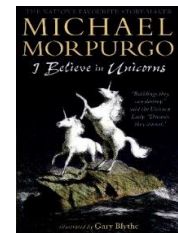
I like reading at bedtime. My Mum and my brother read with me. We read under my bed. I like funny books like Ben 10. I also like reading with my best friend, Ettie. We like Ninjago books. Reading helps me to write because then you know how to spell words and you get good ideas.

By Rory, Penguin class



The Nothing to See Here Hotel is really good because it's got magic in and there's goblins and trolls too. The story is about a goblin hiding from pirate goblins because they stole something. The boy on the front cover, Frankie, has a pet dragon called Hoggit and he burnt the goblin prince's ship! I give this book a 10 star rating ***** but because it is so good I give it 20 more stars*****

By Henry, Panther class



I would recommend this book because it has magic in it. This book also has a boy who believes in unicorns. My favourite part is when the boy gets a Unicorn. There are some emotional parts in the book as it is set during the war but I still think you should read it. I rate this book 10 out of 10. **By Fran, Koala class**

READ TO BE A GENIUS!

Reading is a very important skill to have because not only do you read a lovely story out of it but you can learn how to use punctuation and it'll help how with your spellings and use of paragraphs. It is very fun as well because it'll inspire you to write stories of your own. Being a reader means you're more likely to learn something new every day and expands your vocabulary, so you'll sound like a genius!

By Poppy, Tiger class

SOPHY HENN COMES TO FISHBOURNE!

During Sophy Henn's visit to our School, everyone was super excited. We had a real, bestselling author come to our school! Throughout the experience, Sophy hosted workshops for every class. These included; a Q&A; a sight into her schedule of publishing a book and a step by step on drawing Bad Nana, Where Bear and various other Book Characters!



As Sophy is an Author/Illustrator, she had many brilliant tips for potential illustrators or authors that we all now use regularly. As we all had so many questions, in such little time, we decided to create a Post-box! This mailbox is enclosed with multiple front covers from her bestselling books. Now, Sophy Henn, the amazing Author/ Illustrator, is now our awesome Patron of Reading. A Patron of Reading is someone who encourages us to read books that challenge us and help the school find an everlasting love for reading any type of book. We loved having Sophy come and visit us and we can't wait until she comes again!

By Libby & Felix, Meerkat class



We hope you enjoyed the first edition of Fishbourne Reads. Please share this with your family and friends. Happy reading! The Editorial Team: Felix, Libby, Poppy, Isla, Henry, Imogen, Toby, Francesca, Mia & Rory.