



# FISHBOURNE READS

OUR READING FOR PLEASURE NEWSLETTER



## Summer Holiday Special

Welcome to Fishbourne Reads and a very special edition for the summer holidays with lots and lots of suggestions for books you may enjoy devouring! There are so many new books out and we can't wait to share with you some of our favourites!

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

# WILD WORLD Heroes

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your help too! Join the Wild World Heroes for the Summer Reading Challenge and discover how you can make a difference to the environment too. The Reading Agency have teamed up with [WWF](https://www.worldwildlife.org/) for a very special nature-themed Challenge that will inspire you to stand up for the planet! Follow this link to find out more:

<https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/web/arena/src>

**An update from our wonderful Patron of Reading, Sophy Henn...**

Hello to all the marvellous Fishes at Fishbourne Primary School,

WOW! Another year has passed and I still haven't been able to come and visit you all, but your brilliant headteacher and I have hatched a plan, and fingers crossed I will bobbing about your classrooms before too long.

I was wondering what to write about in this newsletter, what with the holidays just around the corner and all that glorious time to recharge, have fun and of course READ LOADS OF BOOKS! I am busy making a few books at the moment and I am writing one of them in the style of a diary which got me thinking about keeping my own diary. I have never been very good at writing a diary every single day, but I thought if I made it a mixture of pictures, collage AND writing I might stand a chance! SO I am going to have a go at keeping a summer diary and if you wanted to you could have a go too. It could be all writing, all collage or all drawing, or a mixture, it's YOUR diary so it's up to YOU. And if every day is just TOO much, maybe try once a week?

But even if you don't fancy keeping your own diary here are my top 5 diary style books, maybe one of these will take your fancy....See you in the Autumn!

1. Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Jeff Kinney

I know, I KNOW you have probably all read them, but I couldn't have a diary list without them could I? They are hilarious and brilliant.

2. Happy Self Journal

If you are struggling with writing your own journal this might help and there are suggestions of things to think and write about, putting a positive spin on your day.

3. The Unbelievable Top Secret Diary of Pig - Emer Stamp

Bonkers and hilarious!

4. The Diary of Dennis the Mennis - Steven Butler

I mean, it's Dennis the Mennis' diary, written by the always hilarious Steven Butler.

5. Are you there God, it's me Margaret? Judy Blume

Booktrust rate this for 9+, so it's suitable for older readers. One of my all time favourite books this follows Margaret's trials and tribulations as she moves home, starts a new school and grows up

PS. I haven't read The Accidental Diary of BUG! by Jen Carney yet, but I hear it's GREAT!

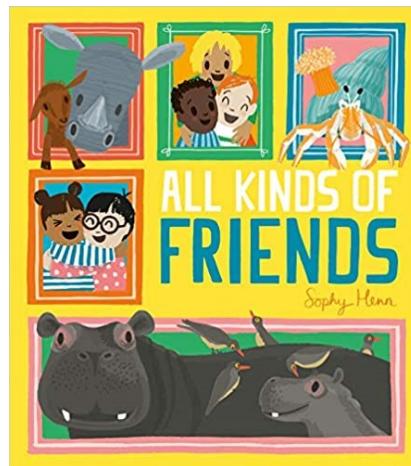
Don't miss the opportunity to get involved with this... it's on our doorstep and will give you the opportunity to get lost between the pages of a great book!

Are you ready for a seriously wild summer adventure? You can join the six young heroes in a town called Wilderville. It's a pretty cool place but with a few changes they can make it even better for the people and animals who live there. They have their trusted friends, but they need



Since our last edition of Fishbourne Reads, Sophy has published not one but TWO brand new books! The first of these is the next in the series of the brilliant Pizazz adventures. Although this was only published very recently, lots of our little fish have already devoured it, and here are the thoughts of Joseph in Panthers class:

When I first got Pizazz 3 I was bursting with excitement. First I thought it was about Jett and Pizazz fighting a villain called Perfecto BUT I was wrong! I'm not going to give any spoilers but what I will say is it teaches that being yourself is being the best you can be. It also has funny illustrations!



Sophy has also published this beautiful new picture book: 'All Kinds of Friends'. Many of you will remember us sharing the other book in this series: 'All Kinds of Families' which we loved. So what do we think of this newest book?

Well, we are going to leave you to make your own minds up because we are using this book for our last assembly and so you will have the opportunity to share it together and form your own opinion. We can't wait to hear what you think. Post your own reflections in our Sophy Henn post box!

You can watch Mrs Day reading Sophy's book, All Kinds of Friends here: <https://youtu.be/xXdBQfIEt68>

We are really looking forward to welcoming Sophy to join us again in school in October and can't wait to catch up with her then!



## Recommendations from our Little Fish...

The rest of this issue is jam-packed with reviews that you have written to share with one another... THANK YOU to each and every one of you for your contributions:

Harriette in Year 4 recommends the series of books called 'A murder most unladylike' by Robin Stevens: I would like to review this book which is about two girls, Daisy and Hazel, that solve the mystery of murdered, Miss Bell. There are a lot of books in this series but 'A Murder Most Unladylike' is by far my favourite. Overall, I think this book is a beautifully described, interesting book!



Erin in Year 4 recommends Dog Man by Dav Pilkey My name is Erin and I am from Y4. I would like to recommend a book for our school. The book I have chosen is Dog Man. Dog Man is about an owner of a dog who got hurt in an explosion and the head of the dog was sown onto the owners body to make... DOG MAN. He goes on adventures to stop an evil kitty called Petey. So I recommend this book for anyone from 5—12 years old!

*Sophy Henn*



## Little People, BIG DREAMS



### Little People, Big Dreams

Our Crocodile class have absolutely LOVED this amazing series of books and have been slowly acquiring the collection of them for their classroom! On any visit to Crocs class, we will always discover groups of our youngest children, huddled around a book and sharing it together! Here are some thoughts from our Crocs:

*We are inspired by them and they make the world a better place!* - Grace

*The books have beautiful pages* - Violet

*If people want to make the world a better place to be, these books will encourage them!* - Sophie

*The people are courageous and determined* - Ethan

*I love them and they make me feel good* - Joey

*I like them because they are interesting and special* - Imogen

*They are beautiful!* Lily U

### You are a Champion by Marcus Rashford

During Transition morning, Mrs Harris introduced our Y6's to Marcus Rashford's new book, knowing there were some inspiring messages contained within it's pages. Harry and Reg share here their first impressions:

"We found the book thoroughly inspiring and we only read the first chapter! The book tells you to be the best you can be, how to tackle some of life's problems and lots more! If you are ever sad, this book will cheer you up after just a few pages. It is a great book all round and we recommend it!"

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WITH WHO  
YOU ARE

USE YOUR  
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USE KINDNESS  
AND EMPATHY  
AND FIND  
YOUR TEAM



If you like books like this, you may also really enjoy ...

**Stories for kids who dare to be different** by Ben Brooks: Boys will be boys and girls will be girls - or so the meaningless saying goes. Because what if you're a girl and you like cage

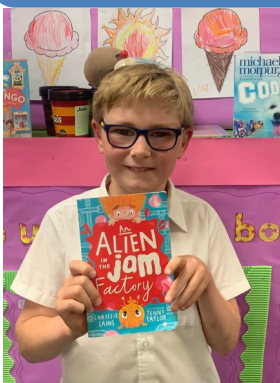
fighting? Or you're a boy and you love ballet? And what if you've always dreamed of being a scientist but you can't see anyone who looks or sounds like you, and who has left a legacy - in the form of microscopes and Bunsen burners - for you to follow?

**You are Awesome** by Matthew Syed I'm no good at sport... I can't do maths... I really struggle with exams... Sound familiar?

If you believe you can't do something, the chances are you won't try. But what if you really could get better at maths, or sport or exams? In fact, what if you could excel at anything you put your mind to?



## Recommendations from our Little Fish...



**An Alien in the Jam Factory** by Chrissie Sains  
Scooter McMay's cerebral palsy affects how quickly he can move his body, but his hyper-creative brain is a constant fizz of brilliant ideas. He spends every

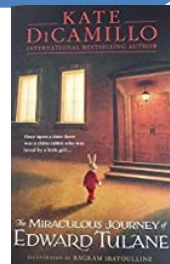
day inventing top secret recipes and machines for his family's jam factory. There's just one thing missing ... a pet, to share it all with. Or better still, a friend. When a tiny alien named Fizzbee crashes through the factory window, she might just be the answer. Now it's all hands on deck, as they team up to save the factory from dastardly neighbour Daffy Dodgy.

**Isaac from Panthers Class** very kindly reviewed this book for us- here are his thoughts!

When I first got this book from Mrs Day I thought it looked really interesting. The main character, Scooter, is a bit like me because he is adventurous, has wild ideas and likes inventing things. Like me, he also has a leg brace and Cerebral Palsy. On the back cover there were some cool maps of the factory, I loved these. It was great to see everything that was going on in the jam factory. Fizzbee is an alien who arrives at the factory in an apple sized spacecraft. She is orange, can fly in a jam tart and is super-smart. Scooter and Fizzbee become good friends. Daffy Dodger is the baddy in the book and she wants to steal all Scooter's inventions with the help of her fat guinea pig, Boris. I would give this book 5 out of 5 because it is adventurous, funny and exciting. I would recommend it to anyone my age who likes cool, scary stuff!



**The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane** by Kate DiCamillo  
This was a book our Penguin class used as a whole-class text and they raved about it!



*This book is special! It is beautifully written, it will make you laugh and cry and you will not want to stop reading it! After you finish the book, it will remain with you in your heart forever.*

Year 3 have also reviewed **The London Eye Mystery** by Siobhan Dowd:



*I have loved the book so far because it has a great puzzle to solve and I love the eight possible theories the author suggests. The 9th theory is the best in my opinion! It is absolutely amazing so far and I can't wait to find out more. If you love London and its landmarks, this is a very good book for you.*

Imogen and Charlotte from Panther class have reviewed **Melt** by Ele Fountain which they have enjoyed reading in Reading Club:



We love how this book shows the climate change issue and how two young people overcome this. Bea and Yutu are a fabulous combination!

Together, they manage to help each other. We read this book in Reading Club with Mrs Day and, oh my, it was incredible—how two young people who barely know each other work together as a team. We recommend this book for people who love adventures. We hope you enjoy this twisty-turny story and how the two worlds collide together.

### New Releases

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



Leonard is shocked when he arrives with his mother in the port of Southampton. His father is a stranger to him, it's cold and even the Jamaican food doesn't taste the same as it did back home in Maroon Town. But his parents have brought him here to try to make a better life, so Leonard does his best not to complain, to make new friends, to do well at school - even when people hurt him with their words and with their fists.

**How can a boy so far from home learn to enjoy his new life when so many things count against him?**

### Can you help?

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

