

Roma Agrawal, the award-winning structural engineer who worked on The Shard, presents a book for children exploring famous structures from all over the world and analysing how engineers resist forces such as gravity and tides when building.





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?

*Charlotte and Ella in Year 6 reviewed Windrush child for us...*

Windrush Child gives you an insight into what it was like if you were black in 1950. Not everyone welcomed new arrivals. Some were treated like slaves (unpaid ones) but Leonard and his family still carried on and persevered.

Leonard and his mum leave everything and everyone they know and love behind in Jamaica. They try to find a better life in England with Leonard's father.

How can Leonard carry on if people hurt him with their words and their fists?

This is an amazing one on a rollercoaster of ups and downs. We would both recommend this book for children who are 8 and over.



*Did you know Benjamin Zephaniah is also a poet?*



Natural Anthem  
God save our  
gracious green,  
Long live our  
glorious some,  
God save our green  
Dis ting is serious  
Do it for all of us  
God save our asparagus,  
God  
Save  
Our  
Green

You can read more about Benjamin Zephaniah on his website here:

<https://benjaminzephaniah.com/>

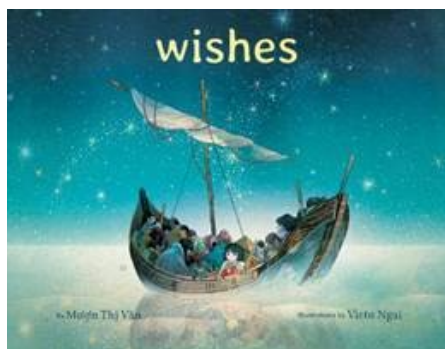


**Can you help?**

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](mailto:head@fishbourneprimary.co.uk) and it we will be delighted to include it in the next edition!

## Recommendations for half term...

### Picture Books for Everyone:



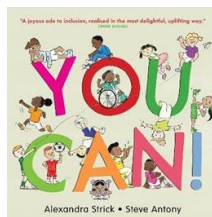
**Wishes by Muon Thi Van**

It's evening time, and a little girl watches her family packing and preparing to leave their village forever for a new life in another country.

Boarding a tiny wooden rowing boat with what seems like too many other people, the girl, her mother and her brothers and sisters set off on their perilous journey, through harsh storms and boiling hot sun, hoping that they will live to see their destination.

A book to inspire conversations about refugees, seeking asylum and immigration with children.

**You Can! By Alexandra Strick and Steve Antony**



You can dress up, paint your face, dance and be silly. You can be part of a crowd or lead the way. You can forgive others and yourself, and you can make mistakes and learn from them too. There are so many amazing things that you can do - and whatever you choose, you can be kind, be brilliant, and be YOU.



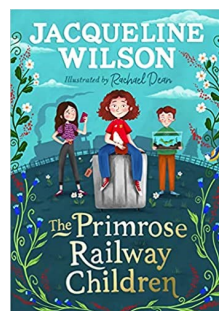
**Genie and Teeny by Steven Lenton**

When Grant the Genie is cast out of Genie World, he lands on Earth with a big, fat bump! Without a lamp to call home, he has to

settle for an old cracked teapot instead.

Grant is very lonely until he meets the puppy, Teeny. Then Genie and Teeny are kidnapped by the evil purple-loving Lavinia Lavender, and find themselves on-course for a rollercoaster of an adventure - when all they really want is a place to call home...

### Story Books for Key Stage 2:



**The Primrose Railway Children by Jacqueline Wilson**

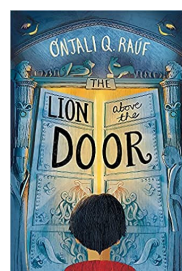
Phoebe Robinson loves making up stories - just like her wonderful, imaginative dad.

When he mysteriously disappears, Phoebe, Perry, Becks and their mum must leave everything behind and move to a small cottage in the middle of nowhere.

Struggling to feel at home and missing her dad terribly, Phoebe's only distraction is her guinea pig, Daisy. Until the family discover the thrilling steam trains at the railway station and, suddenly, every day is filled with adventure.

But Phoebe still can't help wondering: what is Mum hiding, and, more worryingly, is Dad okay?

**The Lion Above the Door by Onjali Rauf**



Leo and his best friend Sangeeta are the odd ones out in their school. But as Leo's dad is always telling him, it's because they're special. Only thing is, if they're so special, how come they never see anyone who looks like them in their school history books?

Then, on a class trip to a nearby cathedral, Leo's attention is drawn to a large marble slab high above the doors of the hall. Right there, bang in the middle of a list of war heroes, Leo finds himself staring at something incredible: his own name.

Desperate to know who this other Leo was, the two friends embark on a search. And together, they begin to uncover missing stories from the past, ones which they are determined to put back into their rightful place in the pages of history.