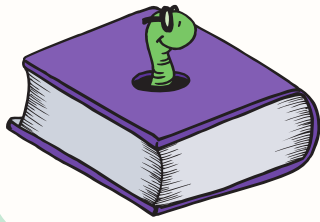
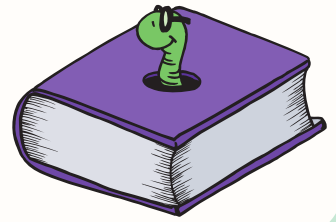




BRAMPTON BOOKWORMS



Reading Newsletter
Autumn 2
2023



Welcome to the second edition of our Brampton Bookworms newsletter this academic year. This newsletter is designed for both parents and children and we hope you enjoy sharing it. Our aim is to keep you up to date with what is happening with regard to reading at our school. You will find lots of information here about what we are doing to promote reading for pleasure, as well as a round-up of favourite books and new releases.



SPOTLIGHT ON... HANNAH GOLD



A Big Roarsome Hello! I am the author of THE LAST BEAR, a middle-grade adventure story for animal lovers - the WINNER of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize & the Blue Peter Book Awards 2022! The sequel; FINDING BEAR is out in the UK now!

Growing up, Hannah's biggest dream was to own a cat and be a writer and she's happy to say she's achieved both. After studying screenwriting at university she went onto work in the London film and theatre industry before following her heart to sunnier climes. She now lives in Lincolnshire with her tortoise, her cat and her husband.

Hannah is passionate about writing stories which share her love of the planet and when not writing, she's busy looking for her next big animal story and practising her roar.

Her inspirational bestselling book, **THE LAST BEAR** won The Blue Peter Book Award and the Waterstones Children's Book Prize in 2022 and is translated into over 25 languages around the world. Hannah's second book, **THE LOST WHALE** won the Edward Stanford Children's Travel Book of the Year. Her latest book, **FINDING BEAR** – a sequel to **THE LAST BEAR** – was a top five children's hardback bestseller on its release in September 2023. All three books are illustrated by award winning illustrator, Levi Pinfold.



A NEW LIBRARY SYSTEM FOR BVPS KS2

This year the school has invested in a new library system. Junior Librarian is an easy-to-use, efficient library management platform that helps us to manage the day-to-day running of our libraries while nurturing a love of reading among our students. With the help of some dedicated parent volunteers, Junior Librarian has already been rolled out across Year 5 and 6. On the next page, there are some helpful tips for those parents who wish to use the website with their child at home.

We are working hard to get the downstairs library catalogued and onto the new library system. Hopefully, Junior Librarian will be up and running for Year 3 and 4 by the Summer Term. There are no plans at this time to roll this out across KSI.



Why have we invested in this library system?

- It introduces readers to the school libraries with a simple and engaging user interface. Junior Librarian is designed to build computer literacy skills in young learners and enable them to become independent library users.
- It improves pupil's confidence in using the library by practising research skills with the search functionality based on pictures, names, and titles. Pupils can also see what books their friends and classmates have recommended and create reading lists to keep track of their reading.
- It encourages autonomous learning and helps prepare pupils for secondary school. It also gives the most responsible learners and readers the chance to develop their leadership skills by training to help run the libraries.
- It helps to get parents involved in their child's learning by giving them access to Junior Librarian so they can help keep track of their children's book loans and engage with what they're reading.
- It gives the school Reading Team the insights we need to curate an engaging library experience. We can more easily see who our top readers are, which books are being borrowed the most often and which books the children want more of in our school libraries.

TOP TIPS FOR USING JUNIOR LIBRARIAN

LOGGING IN

Your child should log on using the pin number that is displayed on their library login card (these were given to them last half term). This is both their username and password. You **MUST** use the school-specific link that is on our website under Curriculum/English. The link is unique to the school and cannot be googled.



ACCELERATED READER LINKS



When your child is searching for a new book to read, any book that has this orange logo in the top left-hand corner is on Accelerated Reader. We are still using this alongside the library system so your child should still be completing quizzes once they have finished a book.



USER GUIDES

If you are struggling to navigate the user interface of Junior Librarian, there is a help tab above the main menu of the login screen. If you click on it, it will show you a guide that explains every button and tab on the website.



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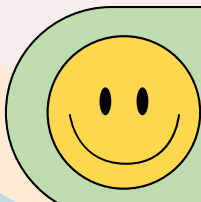
ENQUIRY BUTTON - ADVANCED SEARCH

The easiest way for your child to browse through the books that are within their ZPD range is to click on 'Enquiries' and then click on the 'Advanced' tab on the top right. They will need to do the following:

1. Select 'AR Book Level' for the 'Field' heading.
2. Choose an operator for the system to search by e.g. more than, less than or equal to.
3. Enter a value that corresponds to their ZPD level. For example, if they select less than 3.5 like the picture below shows, the system will show them all the books with a ZPD of less than 3.5.

The screenshot shows the 'Enquiry' interface with the 'Advanced' tab selected and circled in red. Below the tabs, there are input fields for Boolean (set to 'And'), Field, Operator, and Value. A table below these fields shows a search criteria entry: Boolean 'New', Field 'AR Book Level', Operator 'Less Than', and Value '3.5'. At the bottom, there are 'Clear' and 'Search' buttons, and a 'Close' button in the bottom right corner.

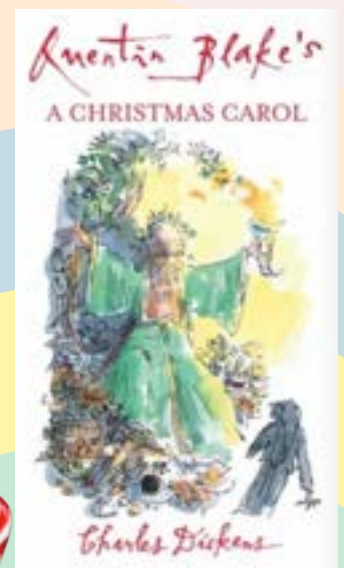
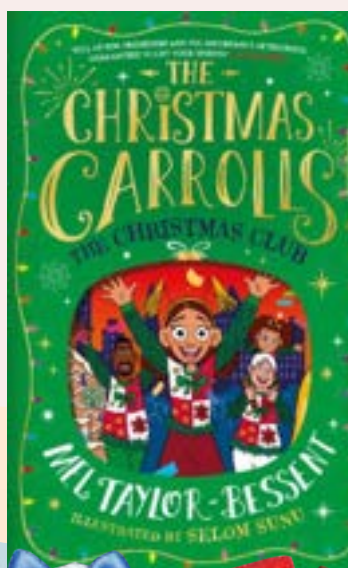
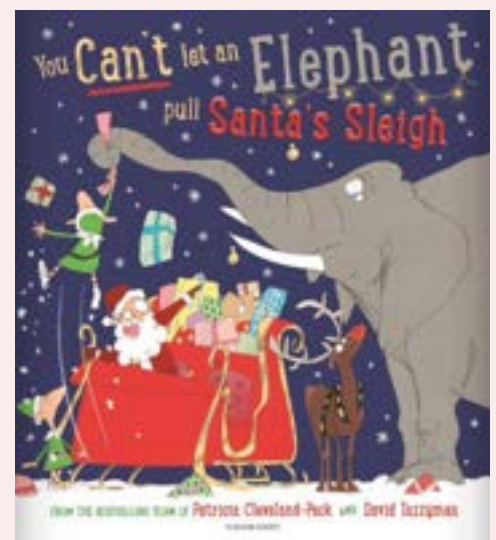
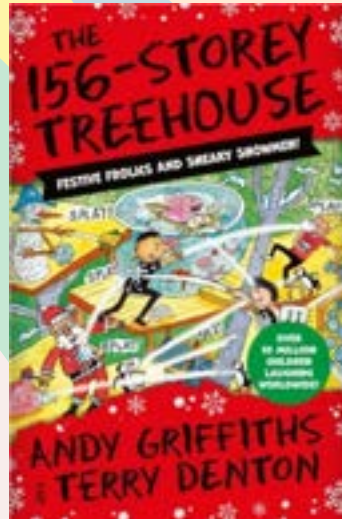
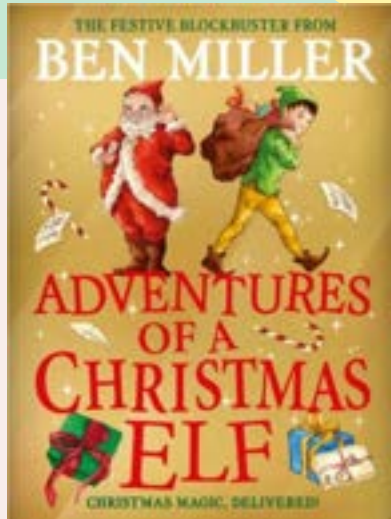
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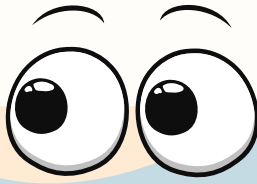
If you have a child in Year 5 or 6 and have any questions about Junior Librarian or need assistance with using the new library system, please email the office and ask for your enquiry to be forwarded to Miss Sharpe. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS

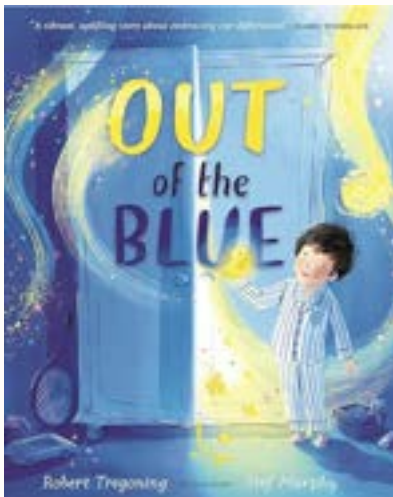
Get in the Christmas spirit with these fantastic books....



NEW RELEASES TO LOOK OUT FOR NEXT HALF-TERM...



Foundation and Key Stage One...



A heartwarming picture book about celebrating difference.



A profound, warm, and relatable picture book about mastering the art of patience.



An award-winning luminously-illustrated love story of a girl growing up in the shadow of a glacier that's always there to listen.



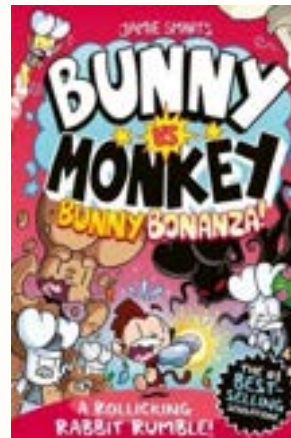
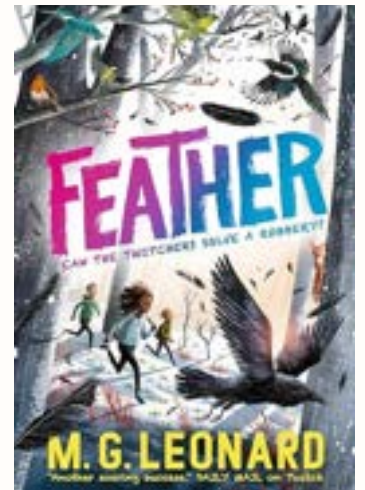
Key Stage Two...



A funny, scary, sci-fi thriller from the author of Crater Lake. Perfect for kids aged 9-12 and fans of Wednesday and Goosebumps!



The Twitchers have one final mystery to solve! The final unputdownable adventure in the bestselling birdwatching detective series.



The latest installment from Monkey and the gang. A cornucopia of chuckles for those who love the Dog Man series.



2024 READING CHALLENGE

Can you read books this year that match each of the categories below?

A book written by an author you haven't tried before

A book that was written the year you were born

Your best friend's favourite book

A book that is based on a true story

A book that has a colour in the title

A book that a family member loved when they were a child

A book with a blue front cover

A book set in another country

A book where one of the main characters is an animal

A book that has been made into a film

A book that takes place in the past

A book that is the first one in a series



PUZZLES

A fun range of games and puzzles put together by our team of reading helpers.

Finish My Christmas Phrase

Choose one member of your group to create the answer key. Once they have done this, get everyone to guess what word or phrase they have used to fill in the blanks. Answers must match exactly to get a point!

JINGLE	_____	NORTH	_____
JOY	_____	SNOW	_____
WINTER	_____	SANTA	_____
STOCKING	_____	GINGERBREAD	_____
CANDY	_____	MERRY	_____
GREETING	_____	JOLLY	_____
SILVER	_____	CHRISTMAS	_____
WHITE	_____	REINDEER	_____
NAUGHTY	_____	RED	_____
SILENT	_____	GIFT	_____
HAPPY	_____	TREE	_____

Christmas Movie Emoji Quiz



Christmas Book Quiz

1. In Raymond Briggs' classic tale The Snowman, where do the Snowman and the boy go on their adventure?
2. In Tom Fletcher's The Christmasaurus, what does the Christmasaurus want to be?
3. In the Chronicles of Narnia, who do the children think is chasing them across the ice, instead of Father Christmas?
4. The book Letters from Father Christmas was written by which famous author?
5. Complete the title of this book by Nicholas Allan: Father Christmas Needs a ...
6. Which book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler features an appearance by Father Christmas and is set in a snowy winter landscape?
7. In the Harry Potter series, what gift does Mrs Weasley famously give to her family members every Christmas?



ANSWERS

1. Walking in the air
2. A reindeer
3. The White Witch
4. J. R. R. Tolkien
5. Wee
6. Stick Man
7. Hand-knitted jumpers



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Christmas Word Search

C	D	E	C	E	M	B	E	R	U	S	T	O	R	V
G	H	D	W	A	R	E	C	R	A	O	S	R	I	P
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S	T	G	I	N	G	L	L	Y	O	R	N	A	S	T



CANDY CANE
CAROLS
CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER
ELVES
GINGERBREAD
JINGLE

HOLLY
LIGHTS
MERRY
NORTH POLE
ORNAMENTS
PRESENTS
REINDEER

SANTA
SLEIGH
STOCKING
TREE
WINTER
WREATH