

READING MATTERS

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path".

(Psalm 119:105)

Summer 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another school year, we look back upon the varied opportunities our students have had to develop their reading skills and celebrate their joy of reading.

Our whole school World Book Day events included a book themed treasure hunt, book guizzes and a book swap event.

Each lesson also began with part of a story being shared with the students. The story, "The Hitchhiker" kept all the pupils gripped until the last lesson!

Our year 7 and 8 pupils have taken part in Accelerated Reader sessions and we have created our Thinking Reading Hub and begun working with some of our year 7 students.

As always it has been incredibly busy but wonderful to see our pupils sharing their joy of reading and books.

We wish you a restful summer and look forward to seeing all our pupils back in September.

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Mrs Lathall Reading Co-ordinator

Library Books

All library books need to be returned for our library audit by Friday 14th July. Please could you encourage your son/daughter to ensure their books are returned.

Final Reading Tests

Pupils in Years 7 and 8 will complete their final STAR reading test this half term.

Pupils will write their new reading age and ZPD in their planners.





As a school, we are focused on improving students' reading to enhance their progress across the curriculum.

To support us in our mission, we have partnered with Thinking Reading and hope to gain certification as a Thinking

Reading school this term. A designated Thinking Reading hub has been created and we have been working with some of our students in year 7.

We have already seen incredible results with pupils making rapid progress which is fantastic. We look forward to continuing to support our students to ensure that all pupils leave our school as confident readers.





Bookbuzz is a reading programme from BookTrust that aims to help schools inspire a love of reading in 11 to 13-year-olds.

As a school, we have purchased every student in Year 7 a copy of the book "Waiting for Murder" by Fleur Hitchcock.

Pupils will start reading the book in their English lessons and then be given their copy to take home and finish reading over the summer holidays.

"It's a long, hot summer. As the water drains away from the reservoir, a car emerges. And there seems to be a body in it, a body that then disappears... Daniel and Florence start to investigate and uncover a long-ago robbery, missing gold and murder. When the drought breaks, everything is swept downstream and the truth is revealed..."



Millionaire Readers

There has been lots of wonderful reading taking place in school this year. Below are those students who have managed to read over a million words! Well done!

Year 7 Bethany C 2,8344, 492 Johnny G 2,372,038 Tobia J 2,295,904 Karina K 2,134,992 Alice M 1,861,808 Jacob B 1,556,014 Poyraz T 1,393,018 Monika W 1,392,129 Isla P 1,205,982 Ruby J 1,138,906 Liam D 1,077,149 John K 1,077,080 Charley W 1,024,398 Nevan B 1,016,156

Year 8 Amelia G 4,072,884 Kira C 2,560,319 Tosia N 1,706,458 Amelia S 1,479,634 Lena K 1,080,237



Certificates will be awarded to all of our millionaire readers.

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Reading Diet

Students should try to read a wide variety of types of books and not just stick to one author or genre. Encourage your child

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to experiment with something new. As well as reading books, don't forget that newspapers and good magazines are also excellent reading material and will get you child used to a range of reading experiences that will set them up well for GCSE and beyond, as well as broadening their knowledge and understanding of the world in which

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