



# Thirsk Community Primary School READING NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2022







# Every Child a Reader – Community Book Drop in partnership with Friends of Thirsk Community Primary School (PTA)

This year the theme of World Book Day is 'Every Child a Reader'.

To celebrate and encourage this, the children, teachers and PTA of school will be working hard to spread their love of reading by supporting a Community Book Drop. We will be asking pupils to hide books all around Thirsk for other children to find! Reading is a very important part of the school community, and with this year's World Book Day theme being Every Child a Reader – the school wants to support all children in the community to be iust that!

World Book Day is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – yes, this Thursday!

Individual classes have planned their own events, please see the final section of this letter. But, on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> every child at school will be given a book to take home and hide in the community. If everyone takes part, it will mean over 170 books out there for children to find!

Part of World Book Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March will be pupils adding their very own book review of their all-time favourite read, which will be attached to the book they will 'drop'. This is to inspire the reader with a book they might like to read next.

When you receive your book there will be some Social Media information attached to it, please take part in this aspect of the Book Drop to enable teachers to celebrate the pupil's achievement with them back at school.

A big thank you to our PTA who have provided a percentage of the books and for helping Mrs Wall prepare them and the reviews for 'dropping'!

# **Individual Classes**

# Early Years – The Hive

Please can pupils bring in their favourite book to enable the writing of the review.

In Early Years, World Book Day will kick start their new topic 'Out and About'. Their first focus story for this is The Three Little Pigs. There are lots of exciting things planned for this, but most importantly the children will be visited by Three Little (Guinea) Pigs on World Book Day.

# Key Stage One – Year One and Two

Please can pupils bring in their favourite book to enable the writing of the review.

Children in these year groups will be looking at 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Oliver Jeffers.

Please can pupils come dressed in their favourite colour!

# **Year Three**

Please can pupils bring in their favourite book to enable the writing of the review. Children will also need a plain white t-shirt. The children will be spending the day doing art and drama based on the book they bring in, this work will focus on their favourite character from the story.

# **Year Four**

Please can pupils bring in their favourite book to enable the writing of the review.

Children will be spending the day looking at the work of the author Liz Pichon, creator of the incredibly popular Tom Gates books. We shall be producing our very own version of a book in the style of Tom Gates.

# Year Five

Please can pupils bring in their favourite book to enable the writing of the review.

Year five are promoting reading by hosting a Book Swap in their class for their friends. Finished with a book? Bring it into school and swap with another person in the class. You may have 5 you've finished with and find 1 you like – that's fine!!!

They will also be looking at different types of reads, including comics and magazines with an art/design focus.

#### **Year Six**

Please can pupils bring in their favourite book to enable the writing of the review.

Year six will be doing a graphic novel exploration, alongside Mrs Kirkman sharing her favourite graphic – a version of Great Expectations. After some teaching around this, the children will be creating their own graphic novel from a chapter given by Mrs Kirkman. This will lead to a debate around the motion that Graphic Novels are better to read in today's society than the original texts! Mrs Wimpory's Literacy group will be igniting their imagination by creating some of Professor Snape's bubbling potions from Harry Potter. They will then become potions masters themselves and create their own potions.

Finally, if you have any children's books, which are in good condition, that you would like to donate for school use, please contact Mrs Wall on admin@thirsk-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk