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# Reading Newsletter

Hello, one and all! We're back again with the latest installment of our reading newsletter.

The Spring term has flown passed by in the blink of an eye and it is now Summer 1 - can you believe it?! Throughout the past term, reading has gone from strength to strength. More and more children are reading regularly at home and there is a real buzz during reading sessions. It has been a real pleasure to witness first-hand how committed our pupils are to reading. It is key that we keep this positive momentum going and keep reading anything and everything we can.

*'A book is a gift you can open again and again.'*  
- Garrison Keillor

## World Book Day

Well, just when you think the previous year cannot be topped, in work a wonderful array of characters from the world's most beloved books. Pupils and staff alike thoroughly enjoyed the day's activities: drama workshops, re-writing stories with a humorous or even gruesome twist (Mr Evans likes this type best), The Masked Reader, art challenges and many, many more! It was a such a fun day - we're already looking forward to next year's!

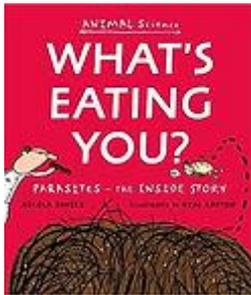
Some of our year 6 pupils with a dazzling array of costumes. We've got an Umpa Lumpa, Miles Morales (comic book readers will know), Hawkeye, Gangsta Granny just to name a few. Superb effort from everyone!





Monday May 16 - Wednesday Jun 15

This month-long event is to promote and celebrate the benefits of having good oral health and promoting the value of a healthy smile.



**What's Eating You by Nicola Davies and Neil Layton**

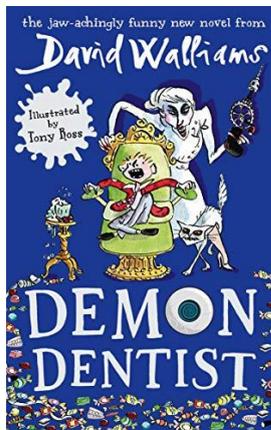
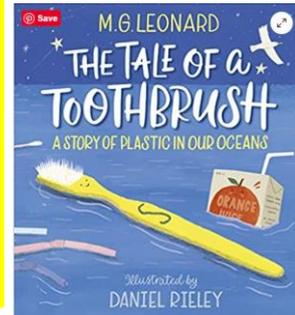
All about the tiny creatures that live on or in human and animal bodies. Find out about the parasites that live in skin, hair, fur, feathers, blood, guts, livers, hearts and lungs. Filled with diagrams, cartoons and easy-to-read chunks of text, this information book is accessible and engaging.

Years 1 & 2

Years 3 & 4

**The Tale of a Toothbrush by M.G Leonard**

*The Tale of a Toothbrush is a book that deals with the fate of something we all use and have probably thrown away many of within our lifetimes; our toothbrushes!*



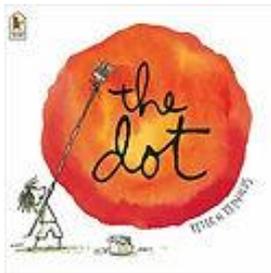
**Demon Dentist by David Walliams**  
A hilarious award-winning story on the theme of teeth and an excellent text to read aloud. It tells the story of young Alfie, who has rotten teeth, and his quest to get to the bottom of the strange things that are happening in his town. Is the villainous Demon Dentist to blame?

Years 5 & 6

# Mr Evans Recommends

As you know, each day in class children are read to be their teacher. It is one of my favourite parts of the day. Hearing the gasps coming from the audience or the pin-drop silence that engulfs a classroom at particular point of a story makes reading to our pupils such a rewarding task.

I've focused on the theme of resilience for my recommended reads. Soon, we will be moving to different year groups or even a new school - being resilient is key when adapting to new surroundings.



## *The Dot by Peter H Reynolds*

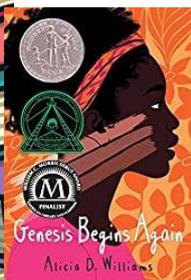
The story of a little girl whose art teacher helps her to develop a 'can do' attitude. Vashti is sure that she can't draw, but when the teacher puts Vashti's simple dot picture on display, Vashti begins to think of what else she might be able to draw too if she is only willing to give it a try.

Years 1 & 2

Years 3 & 4

## *After The Fall by David Sanitat*

We've all heard about Humpty Dumpty's catastrophic fall, but what about how he got back up again? In this humorous picture book, Humpty Dumpty recounts his brave and arduous journey back up to the top of the wall again. We like the way in which this cleverly illustrated story acknowledges that things go wrong sometimes but that it can be our individual response to such misfortune that often harvests resilience and hatches us into something stronger than ever before.



## *Genesis Begins Again by Alicia D Williams*

This poignant book looks at a host of issues as they concern the thoughtful, intelligent 13-year-old Genesis. Genesis is concerned that her skin is "too dark." She believes her family and society value lighter brown skin over hers to the point that she attempt harmful actions to try and lighten her skin with lemons or bleach. At home, her father can't stop spending the rent money on gambling and alcohol. But Genesis has started a new school in a "better neighborhood" and meets new friends and teachers who help her learn to value herself.

Years 5 & 6