



## Reading News

5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for supporting our school with everything related to reading during September and October - your children have been developing and demonstrating some amazing reading skills! We would like to share and celebrate some '**Reading News**' with you.

### Headlines:

- The new home-school reading arrangements appear to be working well. Interesting book reviews are regularly written, reflecting the children's deepening understanding of what they are reading.
- Weekly library slots are a real highlight. Bubble and Squeak (our school guinea pigs) are loving being read to by the children.
- Many children are reading regularly at home (at least 3 times per week), which is fantastic! Some children are benefitting from our Reading Catch-up Session for ten minutes on a Monday at break time.
- Our first 'Author Day' of the year (Roald Dahl Day 13.9.18) went really well. The children were inspired to read, dramatize, write, draw and paint Roald Dahl related creations. Please enjoy the display in the Key Stage 2 corridor during Parents Evening.
- All year groups participated in a poetry themed Phase Assembly, where each year group recited or sang a nursery rhyme, poem or song. Again, the children were awesome, remembering so many lines and delivering them superbly well!

### Up and coming:

- Last term, some classes trialled a new reading reward scheme. Alongside **team points** and **golden tickets** (which enter the children into a weekly prize draw held during our Celebration Assembly), children were given a '**Book Bucks**' ticket for every occasion they read more than 3 times in a week. This has proved a great success, so we are rolling it out across the school. There will be a prize for the top '**Book Bucks**' earner in each class at the end of each term, culminating in a **GRAND PRIZE** for the overall whole school, top '**Book Bucks**' earner of the year, in July 2019.
- Christmas themed Poetry Phase Assemblies in December – Santa hats, sleigh bells, and tinsel galore at the ready!
- After Christmas, Corby Library will be coming into school to work with the children and encourage those who do not yet have a Corby Library Card, to obtain one. (Please contact the office if you need another copy of the application form sent out last term)

We look forward to another great term working together with our wonderful children and families. If you would like to discuss any of the above please contact us.

Kind regards,

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