

Applegarth Primary School Reading Newsletter



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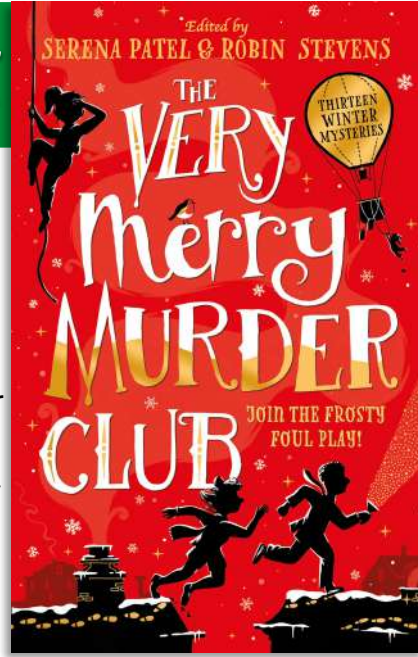


Welcome to the first edition of our new Applegarth Primary School reading newsletter. In our reading newsletters, we will share recommended reads for your child's age group. In addition to this, we will keep you updated on reading events, both in and outside of school as well as sharing new releases. We hope you find it help supporting your child on their reading journey.

Mrs Hopkin

A Very Festive Author Event

This week, our Key Stage 2 children began their in-school festive celebrations with a very special digital author event where they were introduced to the brand new short stories collection: *The Very Merry Murder Club*. During the event, the children participated in three very special panels with 8 of the authors from the book looking at how to create amazing settings for their own stories, how to craft interesting characters and how to plot a story whilst adding suspense. In between each panel, Harry Woodgate, the illustrator of the book, took the children through two special step-by-step guides for how to draw a setting and character which convey the mood of the story.



For anyone interested in purchasing the book, copies can be ordered from school at the special event price of **£10** until **Monday 6th December**. You can get extra copies of the letter from your class teacher.

Books by the some of authors from *The Very Merry Murder Club**



Please read the recommended reading ages before purchasing any of the books above, or borrowing from the library. The selection above are suitable for children from 8 upwards with some of the books being more suitable for mature UKS2 pupils.

Phonics & Early Reading Update

Parent Information

Our children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 have all made an excellent start to their early reading and phonics work. We are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved so far.

Our Year 2 children have all undertaken their Phonics Screening Check and have demonstrated excellent progress. I am incredibly pleased to announce that

93%

of our Year 2 children have passed their phonics screening check which is a fantastic achievement. What's even more impressive is our children averaged a pass score of 35.3 which is comfortably above the pass mark of 32. The table below demonstrates just how well our children have done compared to pupils nationally. Myself and Mr Peoples would like to send a huge thank you to everyone who has been involved in our Year 2 children's early reading journey, including the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 teachers and support staff as well as all the support the Y2 pupils have received at home. You have all made an invaluable contribution to our children's education and by giving them such a strong start in reading, we are able to open the world up to them and have made a huge difference to the rest of their lives.

"So it is with children who learn to read fluently and well: they begin to take flight into whole new worlds as effortlessly as young birds take to the sky."

William James

		Pass (%)	Working towards pass (%)	Absent (%)	Did not take the check (%)
All Pupils	National	82	16	0	2
	School	93	7	0	0
Boys	National	78	19	0	2
	School	94	6	0	0
Girls	National	85	13	0	1
	School	92	8	0	0

Parent Support for Early Reading & Phonics



For any parents who have any queries or feel like would like a reminder for any information shared about Early Reading & Phonics, please visit our designated page on our school website. We keep this page regularly updated with new resources and answers to frequently asked questions: <https://www.applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk/our-curriculum/reading-and-phonics/>



We Love Books!

Over the past term, your child's class teachers have selected some amazing books to help bring their learning to life. Below is a recap of all the books each phase has come across throughout their topics this autumn. Children may have loved their class books so much that they want to re-read them or read other books by the same author or discover similar books. The books with the stars next to the Reception and Year 1 & 2's books were each phases' favourite book (the ones they loved hearing again and again!).

Reception

Year 1 and 2



Year 3 and 4

Year 5 and 6



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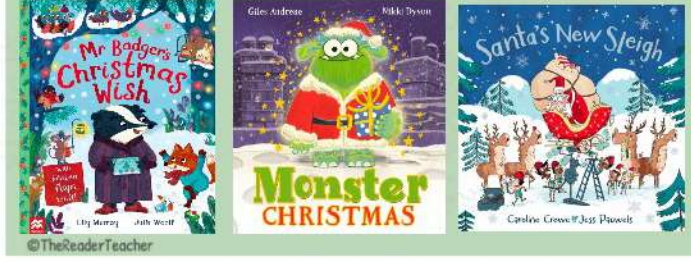


Recommended books for children aged 3+!

★ Christmas Classics ★



★ Festive Fiction ★



★ Winter Warmers ★



★ Factual Books for All the Family ★



★ Super Funny Stocking Fillers! ★



★ Poetry Presents ★



★ New Out This Christmas ★



★ Picture Book Party ★



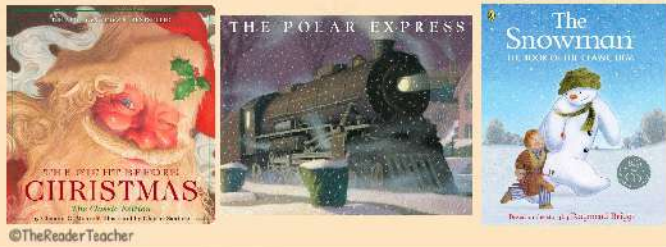
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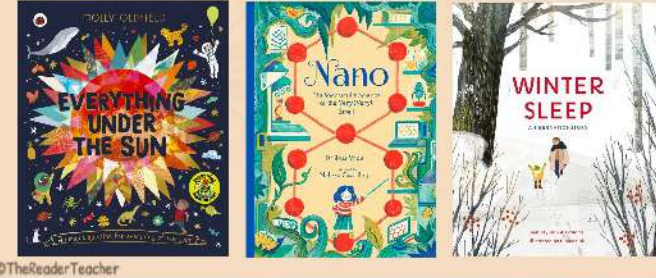
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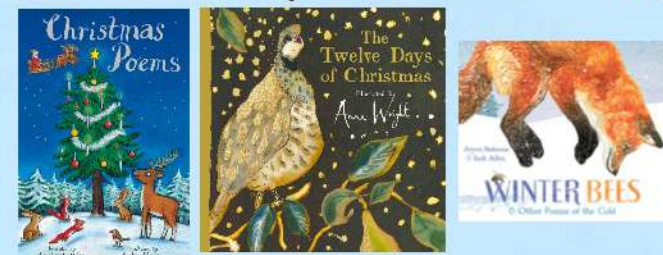
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