

# Newbarns Primary and Nursery School



## Newbarns Reads

Welcome to the very first edition of 'Newbarns Reads'! As well as teaching children to read fluently, one of our main aims at Newbarns is to help the children develop a lifelong love of reading. We believe this is one of the most important gifts we can give our children. Books, quite simply, are amazing things! In our half-termly newsletters we will be sharing news about how we are promoting a love of reading at school, letting you know some of the texts that are being read in different year groups, recommending lots of fantastic books and reading tips for everyone and informing you about any exciting reading events and activities we think you would like to know about. We hope you enjoy the newsletters!

Miss Foxen

### Key Stage 1 Library New Books!



Our Key Stage 1 library now has 150 new exciting fiction texts. The new books have been carefully selected by the Cumbria schools' librarian who regularly visits school to see the children and literacy co-ordinators. We are very excited to get reading them. The front covers alone are wonderful.

All Early Years and Key Stage 1 children visit the Key Stage 1 library at least once a week to read a story and in Year 2 the children also choose a library book to have to read in class.

### World Book Day 2022 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March



'You are a reader!'

World Book Day is this week and we can't wait to celebrate reading and promote reading for pleasure as a school. The children can come in dressed in a book themed costume and also bring their favourite book from home to share with their class. Everyone will be taking part in fun reading related activities throughout the day as well as competitions to win book vouchers and enjoying a hot chocolate and story with their teacher.

Don't forget everyone will receive a £1 book token which can be exchanged for one of the 12 books below or used to get £1 off any full price book from participating booksellers.



# The Importance of Reading for Pleasure

Did you know?

'Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success, more than family circumstances, parents' educational backgrounds or income'  
 -Organisation for Economic Co-operation & Development

Having access to books and developing a love of reading for pleasure is vital to a child's future.

Just ten minutes of sharing stories daily makes a huge difference to a child's future.  
 -World Book Day®

We are extremely lucky to work with Cumbria Schools' Library services each year - ensuring our children have a great range of topic and fiction books in every classroom, visits to the library bus and very importantly, time with our Cumbria schools' librarian Jane McFie. Jane recommends and helps us to select a super range of texts that we have in our libraries. This half-term Jane has recommended four exciting new books and has included a short review for each from [www.peters.co.uk](http://www.peters.co.uk).

Nursery and Reception	Year 1 and Year 2
 <p><b>The Duck Who Didn't Like Water</b> by Steve Small  <b>Waterstones Children's Book Prize Shortlist 2022</b>                      When a water-loving frog turns up at a hydrophobic duck's door one stormy night, it's the beginning of an unlikely but deep friendship.</p> <p>Duck is not like other ducks. Duck doesn't like water and is perfectly fine alone, thank you very much. But then, one dark and stormy night, an outgoing, water-loving, and very lost Frog turns up at Duck's door. Can this odd couple find Frog's home? And will they find friendship along the way?</p> <p>An absolutely gorgeous story with endearing characters and wonderful, expressive illustrations. Themes of friendship and acceptance run through the book.</p>	 <p><b>Too Much Stuff!</b> By Emily Gravett  <b>Longlisted - Greenaway Award 2022</b>                      Meg and Ash are a pair of magpies who are building a nest for their perfect eggs. Although they begin their nest construction using the usual mud, sticks and grass, Meg and Ash are soon convinced that their nest doesn't have enough stuff and begin to collect more things to add to an ever-growing pile.</p> <p>From cuckoo clocks to mops and socks, a pram and even a car - their need for stuff seems endless. Until - crash! - the inevitable happens and Meg and Ash realise that the most important things in the nest are their eggs. Superb illustrations perfectly match the rhyming text that delivers an important message about materialism and possessions. Great for reading aloud and to promote discussion about the environment.</p>
Year 3 and Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6
 <p><b>Kevin's Great Escape</b> by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre                      Max has to rescue Kevin when he is kidnapped by a famous pop star. Kevin is a roly-poly flying pony. He has everything he needs - a constant supply of biscuits and his best friend, Max.</p> <p>Misty Twiglet is a famous pop star. She has everything she needs except for a perfectly quirky, one-of-a-kind pet. The roly-poly flying pony kind. Adorable pony, a lively story, and a happy ending, all well illustrated and with a sense of humour.</p>	 <p><b>When the Sky Falls</b> by Phil Earle  <b>Spellbinding Primary Book Award 2022 Shortlist</b>                      An evacuated boy builds a relationship with the gorilla at the zoo owned by the woman with whom he's been billeted.</p> <p>It's 1940, and Joseph has been packed off to stay with Mrs F, a gruff woman with no great fondness for children. To Joseph's amazement, she owns the rundown city zoo where Joseph meets Adonis, a huge silverback gorilla. Adonis is ferociously strong and dangerous, but Joseph finds he has an affinity with the lonely beast. But when the bombs begin to fall, it is up to Joseph to guard Adonis's cage should it be damaged by a blast. Will Joseph be ready to pull the trigger if it comes to it? A powerful, moving book inspired by a true story.</p>

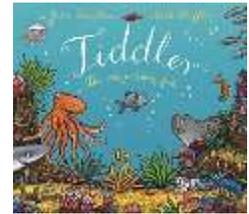
# What we are reading this half term:

Every day our children get chance to access and listen to high quality texts read aloud by their class teacher. We thought it would be nice to let you know the titles of some of the texts your children will be reading each half term so that you can perhaps talk to them about the books or read them again together. This half term the texts will include:

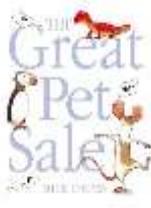
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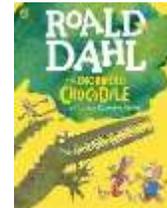
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## Year 1



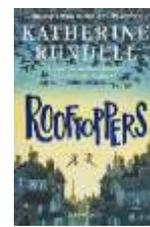
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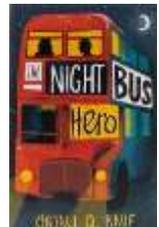
## Year 3



## Year 4



## Year 5



## Year 6



## Spring Book Fair 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March



After the great success of our Autumn Scholastic Book Fair from which we raised nearly £800 to spend on books for school, we will be holding a Spring Book Fair with some fantastic, different titles for anyone who just loves books or perhaps didn't get chance to come in December. Children and parents are welcome to come on any of the evenings after school. The fair will take place in the school hall again. As in December, there will be QR codes available to make payments.