

Reading Newsletter



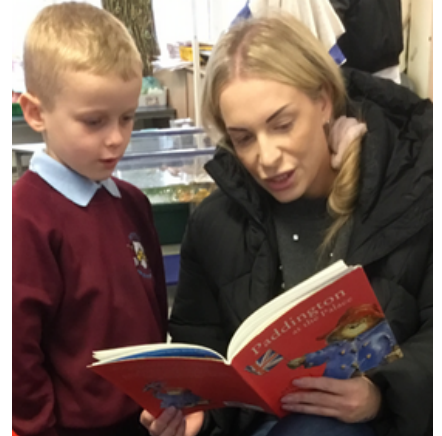
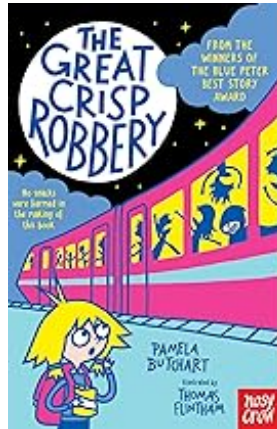
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Reading news from Hatfeild Primary School



Year 3 and Year 6 visited Bookfest this half-term and met two famous authors. Year 6 received a copy of 'The cosmic diary of a future space explorer' by Tim Peake. Year 3 received a copy of 'The great crisp robbery by Pamela Butchart.' Year Five are also off to Bookfest this week and we look forward to hearing all about it.



It is lovely to see how many parents and carers have been joining us for reading café in Early Years and Key Stage One. We have also enjoyed browsing new books at the book fair. We are very excited to have our own junior librarians in Year 5 and 6 as well as reading ambassadors across the school to promote book talk and reading for pleasure. More information about their important roles next half-term.



Have you met an author before? We would love to share it in our next newsletter.

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Welcome to our reading recommendations for Autumn 1. Each half-term we will share some of our favourite books with you.

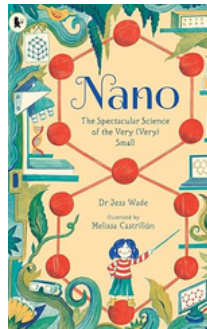
Life can be tough in your last year of primary school. Tests to take, preparing for the change to high school. Nate is ready for it all, knowing his best friend PS is at his side – they've been inseparable since Nursery. But when they are put in two different classes and PS finds a new friend in Turner, the school bully, Nate's world turns upside-down. As he struggles to make sense of this and forge new friendships, he's dealt another blow when his youngest brother, Dylan is rushed into hospital. A powerful and lyrical story about finding your place in the world and the people that matter within it.



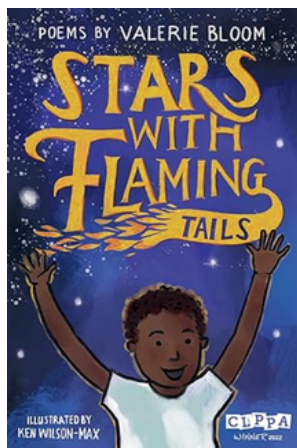
Verse novel
Age 9 - 12

A fantastical series that combines a quest for magic and friendship with Welsh mythology and a pinch of science, all within a contemporary setting. The first novel told in verse a roller-coaster of emotions. A MUST READ!

This exciting non-fiction picture book introduces young readers to the fascinating (and cutting-edge) science of the very, very small. Everything is made from something – but the way we make things, from the materials we use to the science and technology involved, is changing fast. Nano offers a fascinating narrative introduction to this cutting-edge area of STEM, better known by the name "nanotechnology".



Non-fiction
Age 5-10



Look out for best friends, pancakes, and Grandad singing; discover a river dolphin, a poison dart frog and the most dangerous animal in the world; imagine a talking nose, meet the Zimbats of Zingley Dell and find the colour of your dreams.

Poetry Age 7-9



Fiction Age 3-6

****WINNER OF THE BOOKTRUST STORYTIME PRIZE 2024**** Are

You a Monster? is a fun interactive read-aloud picture book that will have children roaring and stomping along, as Monster encourages them to be the scariest monster possible. Children will love playing along with the book as monster tests them on their monster skills. Do you have a long pointy tail? Big yellow eyes? No? Can you make a big, loud noise? You can!

We would LOVE to hear some of your reviews from these books or **any books** you have enjoyed. Send your email titled BOOK REVIEW to: school@hatfeild.merton.sch.uk.

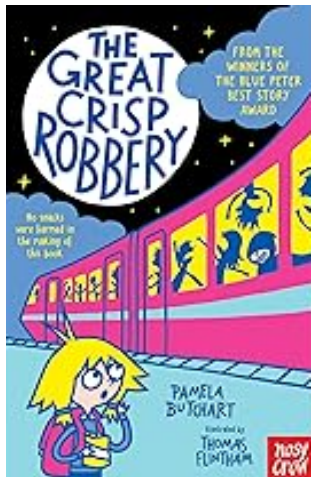
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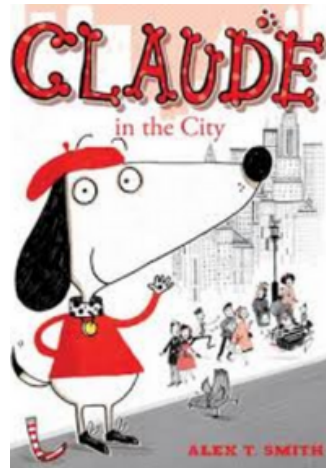


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Welcome to our reading recommendations from children at Hatfeild.

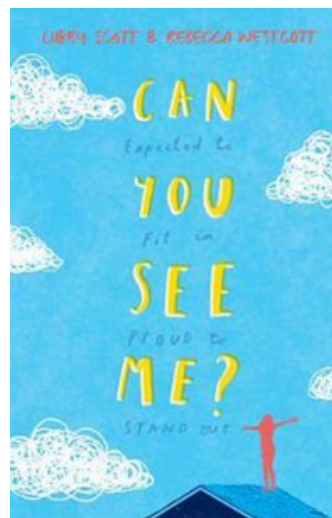


This book is interesting and a bit of an investigation. It has friendly print and illustrations so you can read it easily. We would recommend this book to children who are 6+ Year 4



This book is very funny and we loved the character Claude. He visits London and has lots of adventures. We would recommend this book to children 5 - 8. Year 2

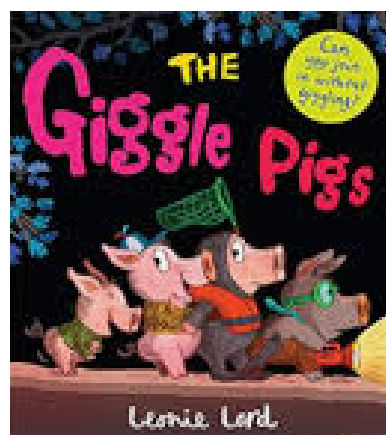
I really like this book because it is full of drama and from an 11 year old's perspective called Tally. She talks about her life in high school and the pros and cons of her autism. I recommend this book to children who might have a few struggles in life. Age 9-13
Sofia - Willow Class



My favourite character was Colour Monster. He was shocked of how hard school was. I would share with my friends because it is fun!
Jaief - Cedar



I like the princess and the dragon He blows fire. He is kind. He helps the princess. Houses are far away and there is a rainbow slide.
Clara - Nursery



My favourite character is Giggle Pig 3 and Giggle Pig 4. They are not allowed to giggle. They go on an adventure. I will read it to my friends.
Antonio - Acorn

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