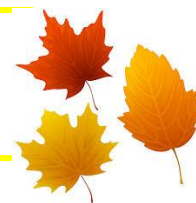




St. Michael's C of E Infant School Newsletter



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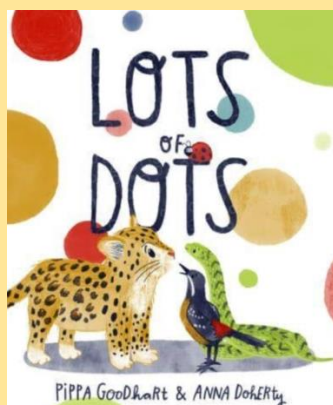


Young readers will adore answering all the monster questions and will love finding their voice and roaring out loud just like a monster. An interactive story that will capture the imagination as well as create conversations about who they are and what they would like to be.

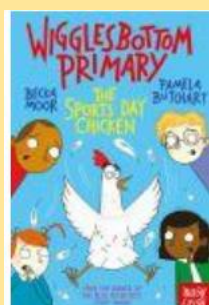
Book Recommendations - Fiction

Thank you to those parents who attended our recent phonics and reading workshops on Zoom. At each workshop we talked about the children having a love of books and reading and how reading for pleasure is an indicator of future success in education. Sometimes it is difficult to know what books to choose to read with our children. I have recommended some favourites below, and these can be obtained from the local library. This includes a longer books for parents/carers to read with Year 2 children. Enjoy!

Dot Patton



A lovely book for children in YR or above. Sometimes all we want to do is belong. Becoming a part of a club can be a great way to find friends but sometimes it can make others feel excluded. In this delightful story, we are reminded about the importance of being friends with everyone and recognising our differences as well as our similarities.



Adventures are never far away from the Year 2 pupils of Wigglesbottom Primary. Readers will delight in dancing chickens, strange ant antics and toxic slime. Imaginations run wild again as things are never as they seem in this amusing set of tales.



'The Bookshop Mice'

Celebrate the joy of reading and imagination with Astrid the mouse. She has just moved into the Book Nook and loves telling her new friends about the wonderful places she has been to, all through reading books! A must for snuggling up and enjoying together at home

Collective Worship

Last week in Collective Worship we are continuing to find out about what happened to Moses after he had led the people across the Red Sea. We will be learning about some of the rules, or commandments that God gave to Moses. The children will also be thinking about our school rules.

Attendance

Thank you to all of those families who support their children to have good attendance at school. Research shows that good attendance most likely influences success in education for children.

Later on this week, you will receive a letter about your child's current attendance percentage. For those families with children who have attendance lower than 95% there is some information about guidance from the NHS about illness and support on when to send your child in to school or not. The letters will also highlight the importance of attendance and how your child can miss crucial parts of their learning when they are off school. Of course, we understand that children can get ill and therefore inform you if your child's attendance is of concern or not.

If your child's attendance is currently a concern, I will be offering times when we can meet together to talk about ways that we can support you to improve attendance. Even being late in the morning can be very unsettling for a child because the learning has already started in a class and they will miss out important parts of their learning.

Diary Dates Autumn 2023

Friday 3rd November – Year R Cake Sale

Monday 20th – INSET DAY

Thursday 23rd – Flu Immunisations

Monday 27th – Individual Pupil Photos

Monday 27th – Friday 1st December – Christmas Fayre
Donation Week

Friday 1st December – MUFTI DAY and Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 6th December Y1 Nativity – Rabbits parents

Thursday 7th 9:30am Y1 Nativity – Hedgehogs parents

Friday 8th 9:30am Y1 Nativity – Moles parents

Monday 11th 9:30am YR Nativity - Owls and Flamingoes parents

2:00pm Y2 Nativity – Badgers parents

Tuesday 12th 9:30am YR Nativity - Ducks and Toucans parents

2:00pm Y2 Nativity – Foxes parents

Wednesday 13th 2:00 Christmas church service

Thursday 14th 9:30am YR Nativity - Parrots and Penguins parents

2:00pm Y2 Nativity – Squirrels parents

Friday 15th – Last day of term

Wednesday 3rd January – First day of Spring Term

Year R Cake Sale

On the morning of Friday 3rd November, the Year R children are asked to bring in cakes from home to be sold after school by FOSM. The cakes can be made at home or shop brought but please make sure they do not contain any NUTS. The cakes will be available afterschool on the bottom playground.

Our school PTA, the Friends of St. Michael's (FOSM) would love some parent helpers to set up the stall and sell the cakes. If you can spare anytime at all, please email Eve Silk at fosminfants@gmail.com. FOSM really can't run these events without volunteers and all help is very much appreciated.

Poppy Appeal

We will once again be supporting The Royal British Legion by selling poppies from the school office. Children will be able to bring in a donation and come to the school office to collect their poppy. Thank you for your continued support.