

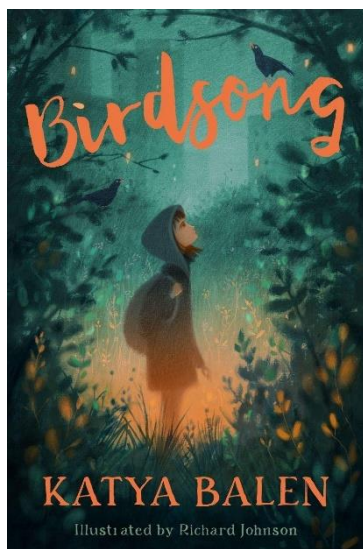
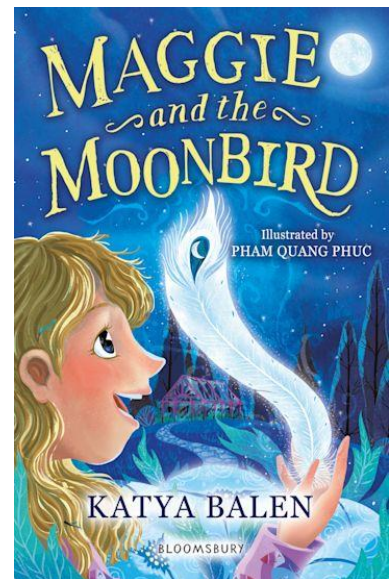
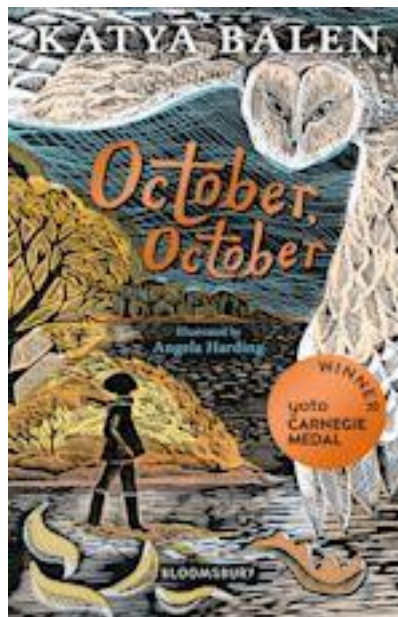


St Teresa's
Catholic Primary School
Doing the little things well

Reading Newsletter
Summer Term
2023



This half term we meet author Katya Balen. Katya Balen studied English at university. She is now a writer and is co-director of Mainspring Arts. Her second book, *October, October*, published to critical acclaim in 2020 is the winner of the Yoto Carnegie Medal 2022. Her third book, *The Light in Everything*, was published in 2022. When she's not writing books or planning projects, she likes to scroll through dog-rescue websites, bake and attempt to keep all her house plants alive. She has two dogs: Raffi and Mouse.

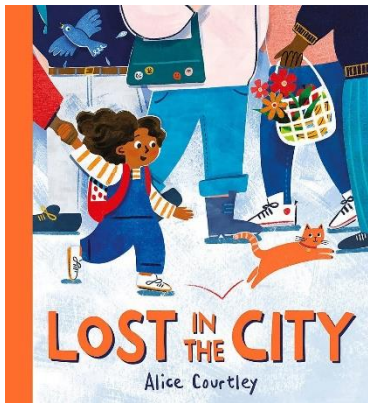


Which one will
you read?

Brand new June 2023



New book recommendations



Lost in the City by Alice Courtley

Aimed at 3+

Maya loves her small perfect family - it's just her, Granny and their little kitten Sammy in their perfect peaceful house. So when Granny announces they are going on a big adventure to the city, Maya is scared. She's too small for the city, surely? And what about Sammy?

When they arrive amongst the towering grey buildings, Maya discovers that Sammy has followed them! And when he escapes, Maya must face her fears and look after him.

A fun and adventurous story about getting out of your comfort zone and how the love and support of family can help you achieve almost anything.

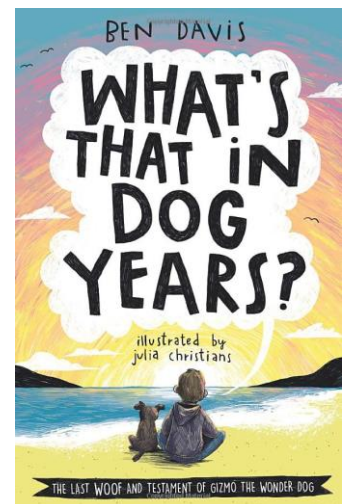
What is that in Dog Years? by Ben Davis

Aimed at 6+

Gizmo has been my best friend since the day I was born - he's always been around. But now they're telling me he might not always be around, which completely sucks.

I'm determined that me and Gizmo will have lots more fun and adventures before he goes - I mean, he loves parties, deserves pampering and needs a break by the seaside. And as for that old saying about how you can't teach an old dog new tricks - it's true, you really can't!

Gizmo's bucket list is up and running - unlike Gizmo, who is totally lazy and demanding to be carried....



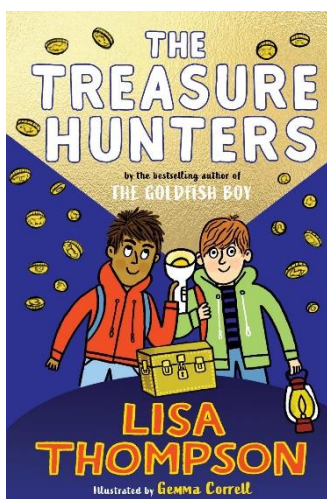
The Treasure Hunters by Lisa Thompson

Aimed at 9+

When lonely Vincent is forced to go on an outdoor activity weekend with three other kids from his class, he's counting the seconds until he can escape home. But one of his classmates is hiding a secret: she's convinced there's pirate treasure buried deep within a nearby mountain.

Suddenly, this boring trip becomes an exciting adventure! But a thief is hot on the trail, intent on stealing the loot for themselves... can the Treasure Hunters work together to stop them?

- for fans of Frank Cottrell Boyce's *Millions* and classic action adventure movie *The Goonies*
- funny, moving and a real page-turner
- a sensitive depiction of a hero with dyspraxia



Events

Summer Book Buy

On Thursday 20th July, the Reading Squad are hosting a summer book sale. Buy a book ready for the summer holidays for 20p.

If you have any books you would like to donate for the sale, please hand them in to a member of the Reading Squad or Mrs Glenton before July 20th.



Win 200 books for your school library and meet the author of 'Dirty Bertie'!

1. Read a book you love this summer

2. Tell us what you thought of it

3. Winners will receive a certificate and win 200 books for their school!



Visit Schoolreaders.org to find out more!

On Friday 26th May, Class 10 went on a trip to Seven Stories. They took part in a workshop based on the book Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson. They also had the opportunity to look around the exhibitions as well as visiting the book shop!



School Readers is a charity that funds volunteers who listen to children read in schools. St Teresa's Catholic Primary School welcome Mr Stratford who has started as a volunteer listening to children read in Class 7.

Please have a good look at home for any books that you have belonging to the school and bring them in.

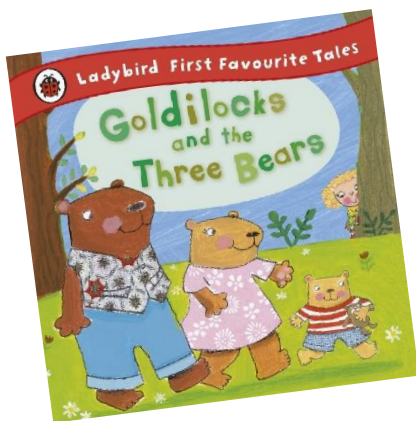
LOOK!

Pupil recommendations

Sani recommends!

Sani (Class 2) recommends Little Monkey by Marta Altés

"I like this book because Little Monkey was very brave and managed to climb up the tallest tree in the jungle. She had a big adventure."



Molayo recommends!

Molayo (Class 3) recommends Goldilocks and the Three Bears

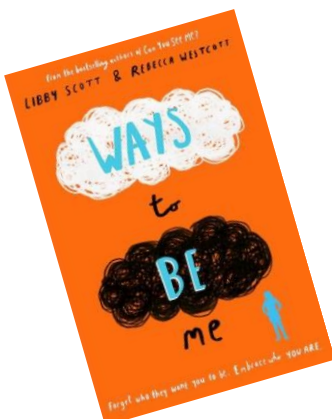
"I enjoyed this book because it is funny and I like the story."



Rose Recommends!

Rose (Class 8) recommends Plastic Sucks by Dougie Poynter

"I love this book because it is all about saving the environment. There's lots of top tips on how to look after the Earth and our common home with some giggles too!"



Yvette recommends!

Yvette (Class 10) recommends Ways to be me by Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott

"I recommend this book as it talks about how it feels to be autistic and how our actions and words can affect others."

