Dear Parent/Carer

I'm delighted to let you know that Wallace Fields Book Club will be continuing in 2024/25.

The club takes place *once* a *month* at lunch time (Tuesdays Yrs 3 and 6 and Wednesdays Yrs 4 and 5) and aims to encourage your child to enjoy reading for pleasure, introducing them to new authors and genres they wouldn't normally choose and widening their appreciation of books and stories. We pick from a choice of titles each month and come prepared to talk about what we've read over the past 4 weeks.

We also have a monthly question from the Book Monster which fosters discussion on wider topics such as 'Should you ever watch the movie before reading the book?' and 'Which book characters would you most like to have over for supper?' We do a literary-based quiz or game at the end of each term, with prizes and at the end of the academic year children receive certificates to celebrate their reading.

Many of the children who attend book club do so throughout their four years. I have added some testimonials from Year 6 parents below.

The fee per term is £20 per child. You then source the books from a store or library. The wonderful WFJS school library is constantly being updated and so often has copies.

If your child is already a member and would like to continue, or if should you wish to sign them up for the first time, please contact me at steph.clarkson@btconnect.com so I can add them to my register and send you the full schedule.

The fee of £20 per term per child should be paid to the account below to secure your child's place. Please put your child's name and Year group in the reference:

Stephanie Clarkson Acc: 86035002 Sort: 50-30-10

Kind regards, Steph Clarkson

TESTIMONIALS FROM HAPPY PARENTS...

Just wanted to say a big thank you for all the book clubs. I'm so happy my son has stuck with it until the end. It's been really good for him and he's learned so much about the types of books he enjoys to read and that it's ok to not like something and to try new things. It's been so good for us both to spend time together in book shops choosing and reading his choices form your list. I will be encouraging his sister to join your group when she starts year 3 in September.

YEAR 6 PARENT

Thank you so much for the certificate, my daughter couldn't wait to tell me all about her session today. She's always excited to tell me, and as I usually get very little detail of school out of her, I have always loved listening to her share. She has absolutely loved book club. When she first joined, she was a very capable reader, but she struggled to find her next book and she tended to stick to the same genres. Now, a few years on, she is a voracious reader, willing to try anything. Thank you for opening her eyes to the possibilities. And thank you for your fab suggestions - I have chosen a few to share with my younger child and with my class (I am a teacher). YEAR 6 PARENT

My year 6 daughter has really loved your book club over the years. You have introduced her to new authors and a great variety of stories that have supported her in her mind growth, that she would not have found by herself. Thank you so much. YEAR 6 PARENT

My son was quite emotional yesterday when he came home from school. He did not know it was his last ever book club session at the Junior School and was a little bit sad. I wanted to thank you for everything you have being doing for him and the other students. Very luckily my youngest one will join your club next year since she will be in year 3 in September (one leaving and one coming!). She loves reading too! YEAR 6 PARENT