

Collingtree CE Primary School

Reading Newsletter

Autumn 2023

Well done to all the children who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge during the school holidays. Please remember to bring in your certificate and medal to share in our Friday celebration assembly.



Top tips for reading with your child at home

1. Find a quiet and comfortable place to read with your child.
2. Talk about what is happening in the pictures (including the front cover) before you read.
3. Talk about what words mean and think about alternatives for example 'big' could be 'huge, enormous, large.'
4. Make predictions—what do you think will happen next?
5. Talk about how the characters are feeling.
6. Is the text you are reading—fiction or non-fiction?
7. Encourage your child to use expression, especially for the voices of different characters

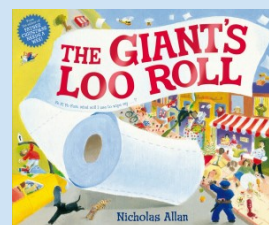
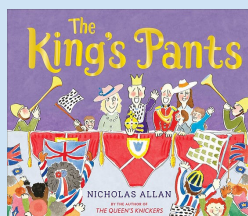
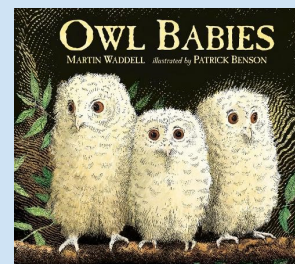
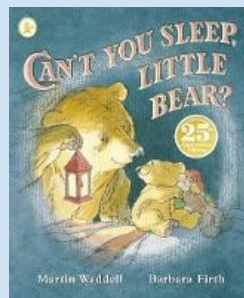
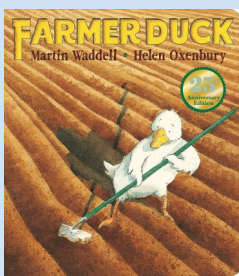
Authors we will be looking at in the autumn term...

Acorn class (Reception and Year 1):

Autumn 1: Martin Waddell

Autumn 2: Nicholas Allen

From September to October half term Acorn class will be reading books written by Martin Waddell and then from November to the end of the term they will be reading books written by Nicholas Allen. Here are some of the books that the children will be reading and have access to in the classroom.

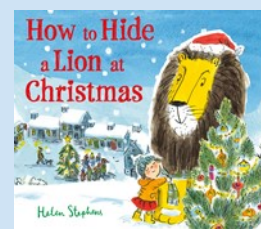
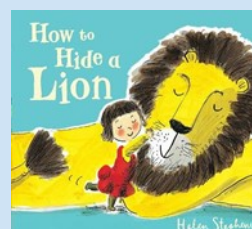
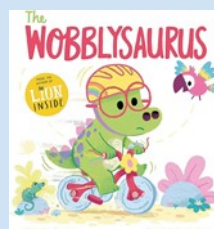
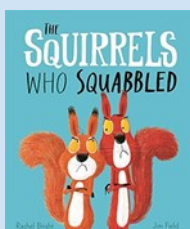


Field Maples class (Year 2 and Year 3):

Autumn 1: Rachel Bright

Autumn 2: Helen Stephens

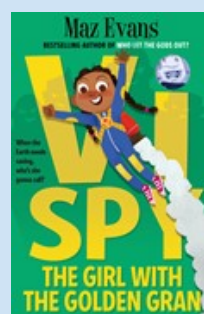
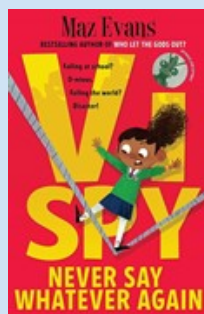
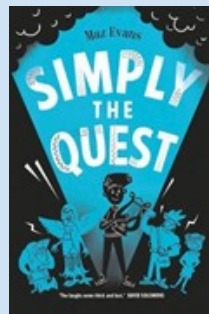
Field Maples chosen authors are Rachel Bright and Helen Stephens. These authors have written many books with messages for children about themselves and others. These are some of the books we will have available at school for your child to read.



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Rowan class (Year 4 and Year 5): Maz Evans

To link in with their learning theme about Ancient Greece, Rowan class will be listening to and reading *Who Let the Gods Out* written by Maz Evans. The children will also be able to read the sequels to this book, Maz's other series called *VI Spy* and her brand new book—*Oh Maya Gods!*



Hawthorn class (Year 6): Ally Sherrick

This term, Hawthorn are learning about Crime and Punishment throughout British history. Their core text for the autumn term is linked to this theme and is written by the children's author, Ally Sherrick. *Black Powder* is set in a period history that is infamous for the plot to blow up Parliament and assassinate the King! The main character, Tom, has to decide whether to save his father's life or stop the plot to kill the King. Children in Hawthorn class will also be able to borrow and read other books by Ally Sherrick that you can see below.

