

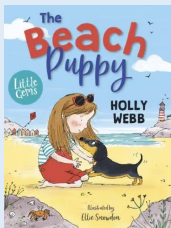
By Brook Valley Reading Newsletter



At By Brook Valley, reading is at the core of our curriculum. Our goals are to ensure every child is a proficient reader by the end of Y6 and that they develop a love for reading and all things book related!

Fundraising

Last year our school community helped us to raise over £1500 towards library books. This was through class cake sales and FOBBVS events. With that money each class bought a range of fiction books for their class library and as a school we bought a variety of free reader books for children who have finished their Sounds Write books. Here are a few examples that can be found in our school library:

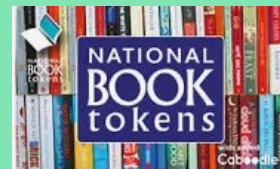


A huge thank you to everyone who helped and contributed to these events!

We are holding class cake sales again this year, the money raised will be used towards non-fiction books to support the wider curriculum.

Celebration of reading at By Brook Valley!

We will continue to celebrate reading and readers through our termly reading prize. **Every child is expected to read 5x per week and have their reading record signed.** If they do, they get a raffle ticket added to the pot each week and at the end of term have a chance at winning a £5 reading voucher! There is a winner in each class!



Our school librarians have done a fantastic job at keeping the school and class libraries organised and tidy. This year they are starting a lunchtime Book Club for children who would like to spend time reading and discussing books.

As always, a huge thank you to our many reading volunteers who read weekly with classes across the school.

Phonics Books

As many of you know, the phonics and spelling programme we use is called **Sounds Write**. We have spent the last few years embedding this into our school curriculum and last year we were able to purchase sets of Sounds Write phonics reading books. Children who are at the start of their phonics learning journey bring home Sounds Write reading books that align with the sounds they are learning in class. They are expected to read these at home with an adult.



Please be aware that the Sounds Write books are very expensive and cannot be bought individually, only as sets. Please can we ask that these books are looked after very carefully at home as we cannot afford to replace them regularly and they are crucial to the children's phonics learning.



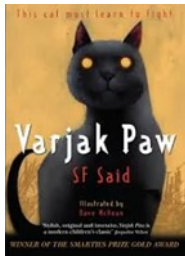
Class Reading Books

Across the year, children in each class will have the opportunity to read and listen to a variety of stories.

These are chosen carefully by the teachers to ensure both enjoyment and challenge. In KS2 (Y3-6) the children have the opportunity to follow the story alongside the teacher and to read aloud to the class if they have their own copy. Please see below for the books that each year group are reading for your reference if you would like to purchase them. Some families like to donate their books to school once they have finished reading them as a class, so that the next year group have extra copies to read.

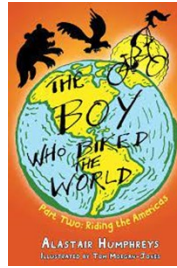
Autumn—Term 1 & 2

Y3



Y3 & 4

Spring—Term 3 & 4

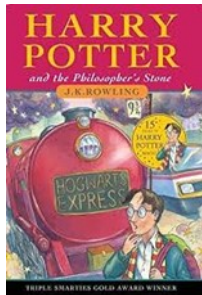


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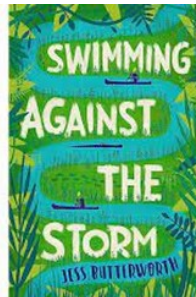
Summer—Term 5 & 6



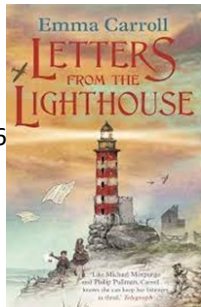
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Y5 & Y6



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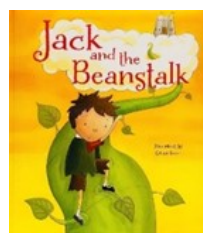
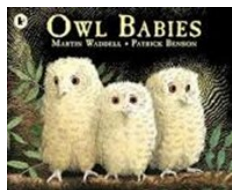


Y5 & Y6



In EYFS and KS1 the children have the opportunity to read and listen to many picture and short chapter books across the year. Here are a selection of some of the books used in class for your reference. These could be books that you would like to read with your child at home as well—we believe they are high quality, engaging stories that link to our school curriculum.

EYFS—Owls



Year 1 & 2

