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Newsletter - Friday March 21st 2025

Welcome to the first edition of The Reading Ravens Newsletter. Once a half term the Reading Ambassadors will be keeping you up to date with all the latest reading news!



Firstly, we would like to introduce our Reading Ambassadors. They have committed to promoting reading in our school and can't wait to share their love of reading with their friends.

They did a great job presenting the World Book Day Assembly with a focus on 'read your own way!' They each brought a book to share and talked about where they like to read.

The Waterstones Children's Book Prize Shortlist 2025 is currently underway. The Reading Ambassadors will be sharing the Illustrated Books Shortlist and the Younger Readers Shortlist books with their class and voting on their favourites. We will announce Skelton's winner and Waterstone's winner in the next newsletter. If you would like to read the books at home you can find the information:

<https://www.waterstones.com/the-waterstones-childrens-book-prize>

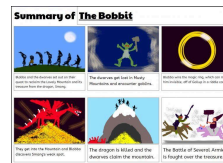


Looking ahead: key messages and reminders

Changes to Reading Records and the Reading Chart

We want to promote pupils to share their enjoyment of what they have read and encourage discussions about reading. We will be replacing the Reading Records and Reading Chart with a selection of alternatives. The Reading Ambassadors have chosen a variety of ways pupils can record what they have been reading.

- Reading List (every 10 books)
- Skelton Recommendation Card
- Drawing a storyboard (retelling the story)
- Book Review
- Drawing the front cover
- Drawing a character from the book
- Google Doodle (pick a word or the title and illustrate it in that style)



Reading List		My Book Review	
Date	What did you read?	Review	Name
			Date
			Book Title
			How do you feel about this book?
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			What is your favourite part of the book?

Templates for these will be available from school and for every one that is returned pupils will receive a raffle ticket entry to the half termly Reading Ambassador Prizes. The Reading Ambassadors will select winners in an assembly at the end of the half term and prizes will be handed out in school.

Main prize: 3 pupils will be selected to choose a book and have hot chocolate.

Runners up: 10 pupils will win a bookmark.

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 25th March 2025 - Monday 31st March 2025 Scholastic Book Fair in school.

The book fair will be open in the school hall from 3.15-3.45 on Wednesday 26th March and Thursday 27th March.

Pupils will have an opportunity to visit the book fair during the school day.

There are 3 ways to pay:

1. Cash payments (please add your child's name and the amount on an envelope)
2. Purchase a prepaid gift voucher on their [website](#).
3. Pay online www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay (you will need to send your wishlist and proof of payment into school so we can send the books home with your child.)