



Vernon Park Reading Newsletter

Welcome to our first edition of the Vernon Park Reading Newsletter for this academic year. The Reading Ambassadors have done a fantastic job so far this year, recommending books to our pupils and interviewing staff about reading. We hope you enjoy our newsletter and we can't wait to see you in 2023 and tell you all about our plans for World Book Day!

Mr Patterson met with our Reading Ambassadors and answered their questions about his favourite childhood book, Harry Potter and the Philosophers stone.

Who is your favourite character in this book?

Hagrid. If you have watched or read Harry Potter, you will know that he does not have a nice childhood. Hagrid cares for Harry, he looks after him. He's like a Big Friendly Giant.



What is your favourite part in this book?

When JK Rowling describes Hagrid using brilliant similes... 'hands the size of dustbin lids and feet the size of baby dolphins!' She did a brilliant job of describing the characters. Remember, this was before the films!

Where is your favourite place to read?

In my bed, just before I go to sleep. If it is in the school holidays, I love to read in the garden or at the beach.

How does reading make you feel?

Every time I read Harry Potter, it takes me away to a magical place. I can't just read one book, I have to read them all! They make me feel curious to know more. When I finish reading the final book, I get a feeling of nostalgia. And relieved that I got through them all!

Would you like to write a book?

I'd like to write a rhyming children's book, like The Gruffalo.

Reading Ambassador Recommendations

KS1: Avanish recommends, Charlie and The Chocolate Factory. He wishes there was a real, magical chocolate factory to visit like the one in the book!



LKS2: Liberty recommends Sweet Dream, I Love You. Liberty says this book is very encouraging.



UKS2: Sophia recommends, The Witches because it's full of adventures.



A Recommended Christmas Read



Bestselling author Tom Fletcher has re-invented his beloved Christmas story The Christmasaurus as a rhyming picture-book adventure.

Santa and his reindeer live as north as you can go, but they do not live there on their own. The Christmasaurus is a special dinosaur who wants more than anything to be able to fly, and help pull Santa's sleigh across the sky on Christmas Eve. But flying turns out to be much harder than he thought, even with Santa's help! One special Christmas, however, he falls down a chimney and meets a dinosaur-obsessed little boy who teaches him the magic of believing in yourself.

Stockport Library Christmas Reading Challenge 2022



This year, The Reading Agency teamed up with the Science Museum Group for a fantastic Summer Reading Challenge with the Gadgets and Gears.

Now we're back for the Winter Mini Challenge!

Join the Gadgets and Gears as they use their ingenuity and creativity to keep everyone entertained during a snowstorm.

Get ready for cool do-it-at-home experiments and the best reading activities around as you complete your very own Winter Mini Challenge.




Taking part in the Winter Mini Challenge is simple: all you have to do is read at least three books between **1 December 2022** and **20 February 2023**.

You can choose any books you like – fact books, fiction, joke books, picture books, eBooks, audio books – the choice is yours! Once you've read a book, add it to your website profile and write a review to let everyone know what you thought and unlock a brand-new certificate AND a limited-edition virtual badge!

There is a fun (and handy) Reading Record for you to print out and note down your favourite winter reads. Remember to log your books online to unlock virtual rewards too!

5 amazing dojos will be awarded to those that take part. Upload a photo of you reading your books to Dojo or bring your reading records in to show us in January.

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