



Farington Moss St Paul's Reading Newsletter.

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"Reading is dreaming with eyes wide open."

'Off by Heart' Poetry Recital Competition.



**National
Poetry
Day**

To celebrate National Poetry Day, on 3rd October, we held our 4th annual 'Off by Heart' Poetry Recital Competition'



Children were given a selection of poems from which they were to choose one to learn and recite off by heart. Well done to everyone who took part in this event! We had the most entries this year than we have ever had!!

Children recited and performed their poems in class and the teachers and classmates were left with the extremely difficult decision to choose just two finalists. The whole school enjoyed watching all the finalists perform and two winners were chosen by our independent judges



Congratulations to our finalists who all received prizes. They all performed with such confidence. It was a very difficult decision for our judges to choose a winner.

EYFS/Key Stage 1 Winner – Poppy K.

Key Stage 2 Winners – Harry, Ria, Poppy and Lottie

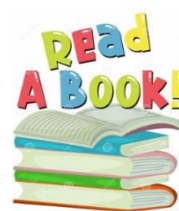


The Importance of Reading.

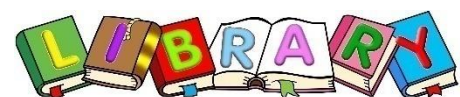
Welcome to the first Reading Newsletter of this academic year and welcome to all our new parents in school. This newsletter is issued at the end of each half-term to share with you all the wonderful reading activities and opportunities your child can enjoy here at St Paul's. We are passionate about reading; it is placed at the heart of our curriculum. We hope that you will join us in supporting your child in their reading journey throughout primary school.



School Library



Led by a group of enthusiastic Year 5 monitors, the school library is up and running again for the new academic year. From Mon- Weds all classes have a timetabled slot to visit the library. Children in Key Stage 1 are enjoying the older children reading to them. A huge thank you to our parent and carers who volunteer each week to help support the running of the library sessions. We could not do this without you.



Thrive in the Gift of Life

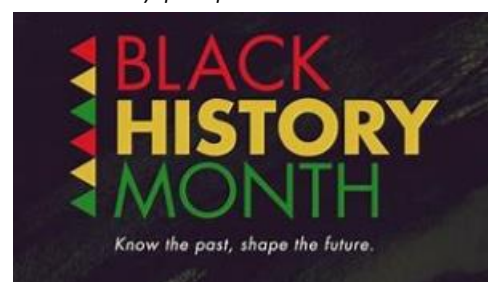
Black History Month

Throughout the whole of October, we have been celebrating and recognising the incredible achievements and contributions made by Black people throughout history.

The theme for this year's commemorations is 'Reclaiming the Narratives' which has allowed us to share their stories from a different perspective; understand diverse culture and truly appreciate the phenomenal work done by Black individuals that is often overlooked or forgotten.



In school we have enjoyed special whole school and class workshops dedicated to this important event. We have read and explored stories about significant people in our Guided Reading lessons. In addition, every class has selected suitable books in their library for children to choose to read in order to learn more about these extraordinary people.



The Page Turners – Year 5 Book Club



This half term, 'The Page Turners' Reading Club is made up of some very enthusiastic readers from year 5. The children used their pupil voice to vote for the book they wished to read. They chose 'The Haunting of Aveline Jones' by Phil Hickes. We were able to purchase a copy of the book for each child using the commission we received from the 'pop-up' book fair we held in May. Thank you for your continued support



WE LOVE READING



Reading Breakfast

Reading breakfasts have already started for this academic year. Year 1 have already enjoyed theirs, this was a fabulous well supported event. We hope all our new parents enjoyed it.

Future Dates :

22nd Nov 2023 – Year 3

17th Jan 2024 – Reception

7th Mar 2024 – Year 5

16th May 2024 – Year 4

13th June 2024 – Year 6

27th June 2024 – Year 2

All are welcome to come along; have a coffee and a pastry and enjoy sharing a book with your child.



BOOKS
aren't just made of
WORDS...
they're also filled with
PLACES
to visit and
PEOPLE
to meet.

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