



Greentrees Primary School

Reading Round Up

Infant edition—December 2024



Welcome to Pru!



We are delighted to welcome Eve and her, Therapy Dogs Nationwide registered dog, Pru, an Italian Spinnone, to the Greentrees family.

We loved meeting them both this week in a special assembly where we found out that Pru will be making regular visits to our school. We are all **invited** to meet and spend time with Eve and Pru over the year during her visits.

Eve and Pru will visit both sites once a term to provide us with a 'Paws & Read' session.



Infant library...

We love visiting our school library each week, at lunchtimes and before and after school on Wednesdays.

Dylan (Geckos) 'I like to go to the library because I get to choose lots of cool books. I go with my mummies and Mrs Tomlinson'

Arla (Lemurs) 'There are lots of books in there and I sit on the sofa or a bean bag with my friends to read them at lunch time. It is fun!'

Teddy (Orangutans) It's a great place, I love the book about ninjas I have got at the moment.

Isaac (Pandas) I love finding books about things I am interested in like the Titanic.

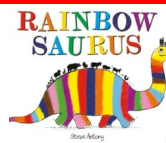
Theo's Christmas recommendation

Theo spotted this book in the library and so we read it back in class and it made all the Lemurs laugh out loud. They loved it so much!



Year 1 author event

Earlier this term, Year 1 enjoyed an online author storytelling event with Steve Anthony, the author of *The Rainbowsaurus*



Our favourite Christmas story...

This week we bought in our favourite Christmas stories from home to share in class.



Mr Lawrence interviewed some of us about this and you can hear our interviews, and our Nativity songs, on his shows on 23rd December between 10am-2pm and 25th December between 8am-12pm via www.radioodstock.org.uk

Or just ask your smart speaker to play Radio Odstock.



FS2 - Kit's favourite Christmas book is 'Santa is coming to Salisbury'. We enjoyed reading this as a class as we recognised some of the areas including Salisbury Cathedral.



Year 1 - Charlie's favourite Christmas book is 'My letter to Santa' by Igloo Books.

'I like the little letter the boy writes to Father Christmas. It is like the letters we have written.'



Year 2—Isobel's favourite book is, 'The Snow Queen' by Miles Kelly.

'I love this book because the Snow Queen takes the boy's heart away but there's a happy ending'.

Some more of our favourite Christmas stories...



The Grinch Who Stole Christmas by Dr Seuss.



Santa is coming to Salisbury by Steve Smallman & illustrated by Robert Dunn.



Stick Man by Julia Donaldson & illustrated by Axel Scheffler



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Junior library

We love visiting our school library during our weekly class sessions and before school thanks to our Year 6 librarians. Here is what they have to say about the library:

I like the fact that the library is open so people can read in the mornings as well as playing on the playground—Mohamed

The library is a peaceful place for children to read—Lottie

It is great having more frequent access to the library—Ellie

Having the library open in the morning, allows children to start their day calmly instead of feeling stressed by the noise of the playground—Poppy

I am happy that I've had the chance to be a librarian and take on extra responsibility—Samuel

Book advent calendar

Toucans class are enjoying the countdown to Christmas with their book advent calendar!

Each day they open a new window to reveal a biography from the Little People Big Dreams series. So far they have read all about Dolly Parton, Amelia Earhart and Aretha Franklin!



Mrs Hawkins recommends...

I have chosen the 'Rooftoppers' By Katherine Rundell. In Year 5, we have read the 'Explorer' so I was



excited to read another one of Katherine's books. The main character is a girl called Sophie who has been separated from her mum in an accident. Sophie has to think and act quickly if she is ever going to find her again. There are not many cues to go on, but as the story unfolds she travels to Paris and has a very usual way of seeing the sights of the city below. Sophie's adventure along the way teaches us about courage, determination and friendship. This book is set in Paris during the Victorian era, so I really enjoyed the descriptive language in the book as to how this was brought to life in my imagination as I read the gripping story.

Year 6 Radio Play with Radio Odstock

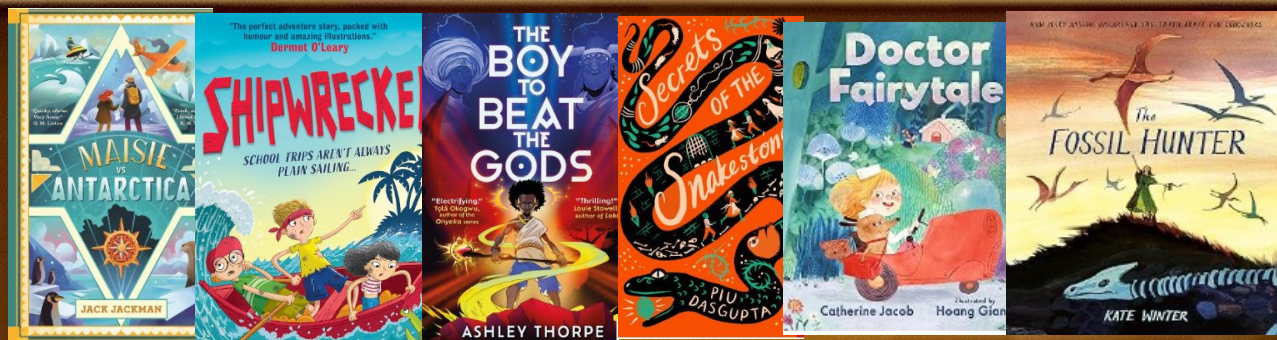
The Year 6 children worked in small groups to adapt the opening section of the 'Christmas with the Krackers' play script to become a radio play including two songs from the show. Mr Lawrence recorded scene 1 and this will be played on Christmas Day between 8am-12pm via radioodstock.org.uk or just ask your smart speaker to play Radio Odstock.



This year Father Christmas and the Christmas Elf visited each class and gave us the wonderful present of a class book to share!



Years 5, Year 6 and the Resource Base



Years 3 and 4



FS2, Years 1 and 2

