

Knivesmire Primary Reading News - Autumn - Issue 1

Welcome to our first edition of Knivesmire Reading News. We will be keeping you updated every term with how we are promoting our passion for reading throughout school from new releases in our School Library, events and competitions to welcome recommendations from children, staff and parents.



School Library Reopens To Classes

We were very excited to reopen our School Library to all of our classes. The children have a timetabled session every week when they are able to browse and choose reading for pleasure books. It really has been brilliant to capture their excitement and enthusiasm!

Special points of interest:

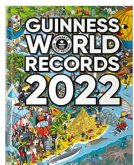
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New Release



More hilarious, laugh out-loud fun from Liz Pichon. Tom is stuck at home and bored! What could go wrong?

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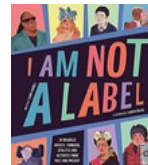
Always a firm favourite. Discover the latest amazing world records.

New Release



The fourth in the series from Anna James takes you on a magical train journey.

New Release



Raising an awareness of disabled artists, athletes and activists from the past and the present.

Coming Soon...

The 16th Wimpy Kid book 'Big Shot' finds Greg in many sports guises. The latest being basketball!

Black History Month

Throughout school we have been studying many historically influential black men and women - including Mary Seacole, Rosa Parks, Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King Jnr. and Barack Obama.

This has inspired the children to create fact files, discover similarities and differences between the figures they have studied and raised discussion.

An incredibly generous donation kindly made to the school just prior to lockdown enabled us to buy a large range of fiction and non-fiction books which we can now fully share as an invaluable resource with the children.

The children have shown a fantastic interest in the books which have really helped to develop their knowledge, understanding and research skills.



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Knivesmire Poetry Slam! - Celebrating National Poetry Day 2021!

Knivesmire was buzzing on National Poetry Day - chanting, rapping and grooving to some amazing poems in appreciation of fabulous poets. A competition for classes within school, created strong competitiveness and it was incredibly hard to decide on the winners! Year 6W-W performing 'Supply Teacher' by Allan Ahlberg and Year 2S performing 'How To Turn Your Teacher Purple' by James Carter were the overall winners, but everyone was a superstar!

The prize of a Forest School Treat with **HOT CHOCOLATE** and **BISCUITS** definitely did not disappoint! We're really looking forward to next year!



Reading with Our Reading Buddies

It has been brilliant to read with our Reading Buddies across school every week, sharing and talking about our love of books! Today, Year 1 were invaded by their Year 6 buddies dressed as VIKINGS!!



D.E.A.R. - Drop Everything And Read

What a fantastic end we have had to our first half-term. The arrival of our Book Fair at the beginning of the week has highlighted our children's, parents, staff...everyone's!...fantastic enthusiasm, excitement and love of reading.

To celebrate our first **Drop Everything And Read Day (D.E.A.R.)** the children have visited the Book Fair, The School Library and other classes with their Reading Buddies. They have shared books from home, chosen books to take home for over the half term and been introduced by their teachers to the Knivesmire Top 99! They have made book-marks, completed book quizzes and discussed characters from books. They have also had a dip into different genres of books in the form of a Book Tasting session!

Knivesmire Top 99!

Our fantastic Knivesmire Top 99 has been launched, with each year group having a list of books to read. Every one of our children at Knivesmire have been issued with a Reading Passport. When they read a book from their year group list, they date it and then collect a star from their class teacher.

Rewards will be received for reading the full year group list. The full Top 99 list is available to view on our website and can be found under **News** and **The School Library** page. Happy Reading!



The Winners of Our Funny Places To Read

Thank you so much for your fantastic entries. It was incredibly hard to decide on the prize winners who won £5 book voucher were...

Alice J. - Year 5
Sophie - Reception
Lyndon - Year 2
Joseph D. - Year 6
Sophia E. - Year 5

And the runners up who won a goodie bag kindly donated by The Friends:

Lissy - Year 4
Joe - Year 3
Elsie-Mae - Year 1
Aria & Hammad - Year 2
Haidar - Year 5