

Reading Newsletter

Welcome to our Summer Holiday Reading Newsletter! This newsletter's theme is **Mystery**—we will be recommending our best mystery novels for all ages! You can also find exciting teacher interviews, challenges and an author spotlight on an award-winning mystery author. Enjoy!

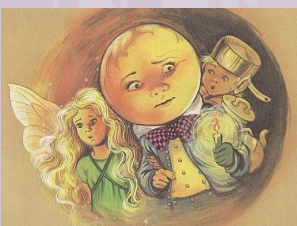
This year's Summer Reading Challenge is all about 'Wild World Heroes'! They have teamed up with WWF for a special nature-themed challenge that will inspire you to stand up for the planet. Visit the Summer Reading Challenge 2021 website to sign up and create a profile, access exciting book recommendations and review books to unlock badges. You can also play games and enter competitions. Don't forget to share what you've been up to with your new teacher in September.

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

**WILD WORLD
Heroes**

Interview with.....Miss Harris

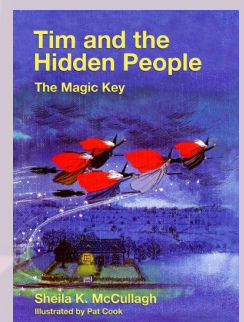
1. If you could invite any book character to dinner, who would they be and why?



I think I would like to have dinner with the characters Moon Face and Silky from the Magic Faraway Tree, but it would have to be at Moonface's house because I would love to try the different lands at the top of the tree and the slide to the bottom!

2. What was your favourite book when you were younger?

When I was younger I read a series of reading books called 'Tim and the Hidden People' which I adored, as Tim could see a whole community of people that no-one else knew were there and he lived a life full of adventures. I also loved 'The BFG' because I thought that it was very funny when the BFG made up his own words like whizzpoppers.



3. When is your favourite time to read a book?

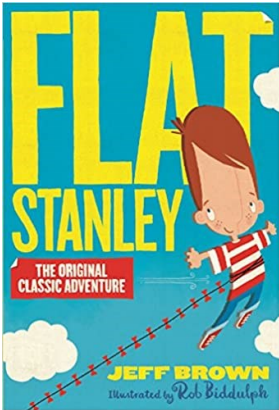
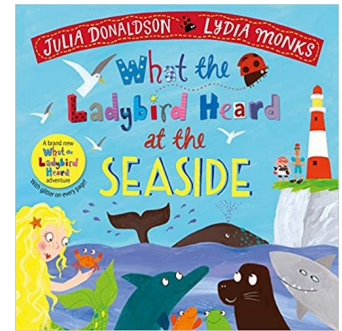
I ALWAYS read lying in bed before I go to sleep as I find it really relaxing, I also like to read on the beach in the summer, but to be honest I would read all day everyday if I could!

Mystery book recommendations



EYFS

The clever little ladybird is off on a trip to the seaside, but those two bad men, Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len, are also back and they're up to their wicked ways again. This time they're planning to steal the mermaid's long, luscious hair and sell it to a famous star ... luckily, the crime-busting ladybird has another cunning plan to stop the thieves!

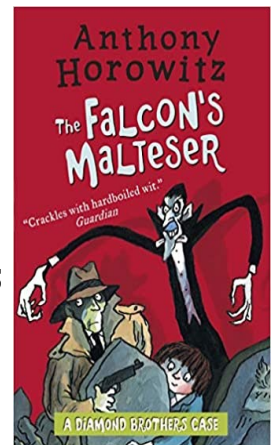


Key Stage 1

Stanley Lambchop was just an ordinary boy – until a notice-board fell on him. Now he's flat as a pancake! Being flat is fantastic – he can be rolled up, sent in the post and even fly like a kite. But it's not all fun and games ... there are thieves in town. Can Flat Stanley be a hero? Follow the story of Flat Stanley and how his detective skills help save the day.

Lower Key Stage 2

Meet the Diamond Brothers, the world's most defective detectives, by the author of the number one bestselling Alex Rider series. When a dwarf comes into the office and leaves a package, Tim Diamond, the world's worst private-detective, is faced with his toughest case yet. The office is ransacked and the package is found to contain simply a box of Maltesers. Who was the dwarf ... and why was he murdered?



Upper Key Stage 2—Author Spotlight

Violet never wanted to move to Perfect. Who wants to live in a town where everyone has to wear glasses to stop them going blind? And who wants to be neat and tidy and perfectly behaved all the time? But Violet quickly discovers there's something weird going on – she keeps hearing noises in the night, her mum is acting strange and her dad has disappeared. When she meets Boy she realizes that her dad is not the only person to have been stolen away... and that the mysterious Watchers are guarding a perfectly creepy secret!

Author Spotlight



Helena Duggan

A message from Helena:

"I would like to wish all the children at Indian Queens Primary happy reading and I hope they can help Boy and Voilet solve the mystery of Perfect!"

Helena is a children's author and illustrator from Ireland. She grew up in Kilkenny, a medieval, haunted city which inspired her to write 'A Place called Perfect'. Helena loves writing adventure stories!

Fun facts

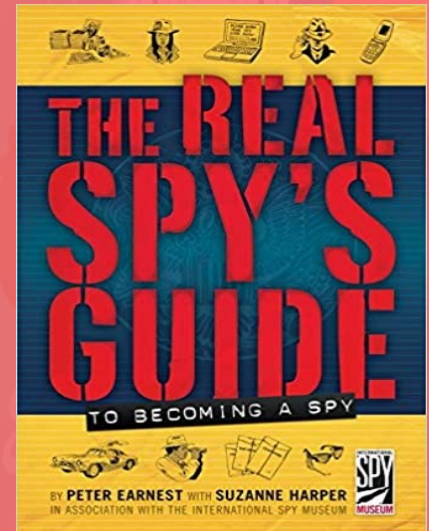
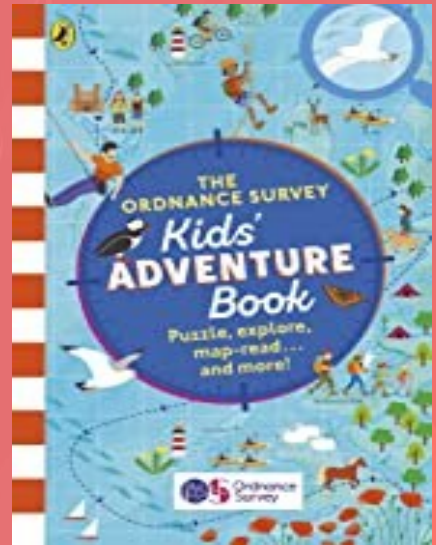
She writes in a treehouse at the bottom of her garden!

Top reads

A Place called Perfect

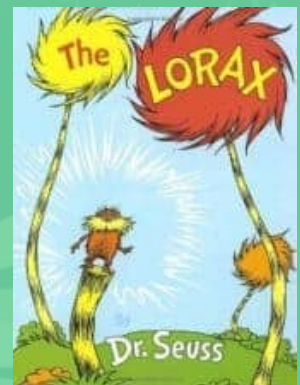
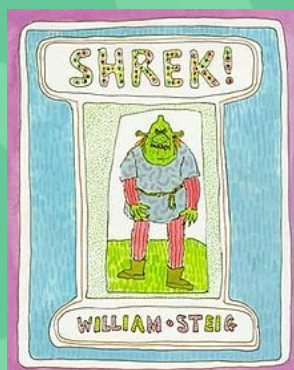
The Trouble with Perfect

Non-Fiction Mystery Reads



The book vs The film

Did you know these famous films were first books? Why not give them a read?



Do you prefer the book or the film?

Can you guess the book from this snippet of the cover?



Summer Reading Bingo

Read outside on a sunny day Date Title	Read to someone younger Date Title	Read at bedtime Date Title	Read a book that you borrowed or swapped Date Title	Read while you're on the way to somewhere Date Title
Make a den and read inside Date Title	Read to a soft toy or a pet Date Title	Read in the dark using a torch Date Title	Read a book that you had never heard of before Date Title	Write your own story and read it Date Title
Read something you've read before Date Title	Read to someone older than you Date Title	Read instructions for something Date Title	Read a book that makes you laugh Date Title	Read in the park or on the beach Date Title