

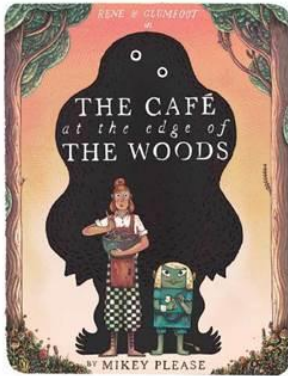
Killamarsh Infant and Nursery School

Reading Newsletter

Autumn 2024

Book Spotlight

Mrs Dolman recommends

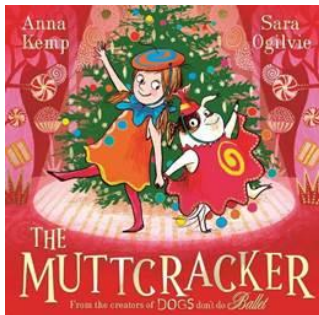


Early Years

The Café at the Edge of the Woods

Rene is a window cleaner who dreams of cooking and serving the finest cuisine. However, when she saves enough to build her own café at the edge of the woods, the only waiter she can find is a rather strange, green creature called Glumfoot and her only customer is, well, an ogre.

This is a rhyming picture book which will appeal to young readers, including yucky food, magical creatures, and slapstick humour.



The Nutcracker

Biff the dog is not like other dogs. He's a ballerina! This year he and his owner are going to be in The Nutcracker ballet. Biff longs to be the Sugar Plum Fairy but he and the little girl are cast as bonbons. This book is about accepting that you can't always be the star. Sometimes you have to be a bonbon. But you may as well be the best bonbon you can be. And the most important thing is not to let down your friends.

Key Stage 1

The Bluest of Blues

Anna's father is determined that he will teach her all about the natural world, even though it's normal at this time that girls receive little education. Fascinated by insects and plants, Anna becomes her father's research partner, collecting different species and learning their Latin names.

Young nature lovers are sure to be inspired by Anna's story



Poetry Corner

Have fun reciting this rhyme.

I made myself a snowball,
As perfect as could be.
I thought I'd keep it as a pet,
And let it sleep with me.
I made it some pyjamas,
And a pillow for it's head.
Then last night it ran
away,
But first, it wet the bed!



Tips for reading with your child



Here are some of our ideas:

- Read yourself! ...
- Give books as presents. ...
- Visit the local library together. ...
- Encourage children to carry a book at all times. ...
- Have a family bookshelf. ...
- Keep reading together. ...
- Let your child enjoy reading the same book over and over again.

Book Donations

Thank you for all of your donations of books that you've finished with. They are always gratefully received. Please return any school sharing books that you have at home by the end of term that you are not using.



Winter Mini Challenge

What is the Winter Mini Challenge?



A great confidence booster! The Winter Mini Challenge is a FREE, fun, online reading challenge that encourages children to keep up their reading across December – February. It helps children to keep up good habits or discover the joy of reading.

It's free to take part on wintermini.org.uk, where children can collect rewards for logging and reviewing books. Whatever your interest, it all counts.

Unlock special badges and earn a certificate of achievement once you meet your reading goal!

It's easy to join in! Head to wintermini.org.uk from the 1 December to sign up, find fun activities, and earn rewards for reading.

Read three books or more of your choice to unlock a limited-edition online badge and a special Winter Mini Challenge certificate to print off and keep.

Ends 20th February 2025.

#WMC2024 #WinterMiniChallenge #MarvellousMakers

Book Talk

It is really important to talk to children about the books they read. These chats can happen at any time but will really help to develop your child's vocabulary, whilst also helping them to get excited about books, creating a lifelong love of reading!



Reading isn't just about sitting down with a good book. It's a part of daily life, too. As you go through your day, help your child keep an eye out for "reading moments." They may be as simple as reading road signs, grocery lists, or recipes.

School Book Fair



We had a lovely time at our school book fair and had the opportunity to share a story and look at lots of new books.

The Book Fair was really well supported by our adults and we raised some money to spend on new books for the school. Thank you very much for coming along!