

Killamarsh Infant and Nursery School Reading Newsletter

Summer 2025

Book Spotlight

Sizzling Summer Recommendations



Early Years

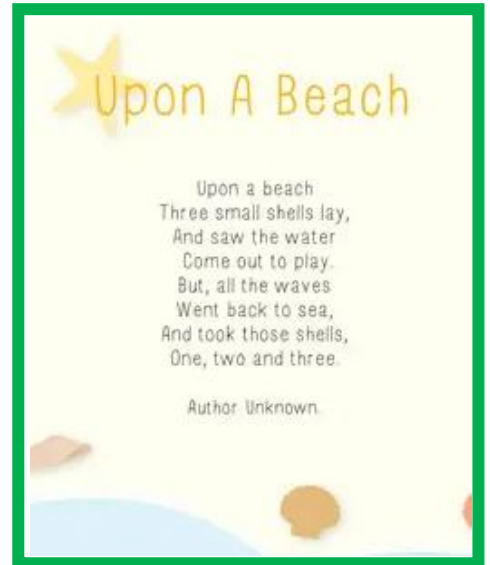
'Sheldon's New Shell' by Lily Murray, illustrated by Sam Caldwell

Sheldon's shell is getting too tight. He scuttles around the beach in search of a new home, but the only thing he can find is rubbish! The rhythm and rhyme coupled with fantastic illustrations throughout the book, will leave listeners rooting for Sheldon on his quest for a new home.



'Lulu Meets the Bees' by Anna McQuinn, illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw (Alanna Max, 2024)

Lulu is buzzing with excitement! She has been learning about bees in preparation for her meeting with her mummy's friend Zora, who is a beekeeper. She has lots of questions to ask! Follow Lulu and learn some fascinating facts about bees as well as how you can create wild spaces for bees in your own environment.



Reading Challenges

June

Read a book about pirates

July

Read a non-fiction book



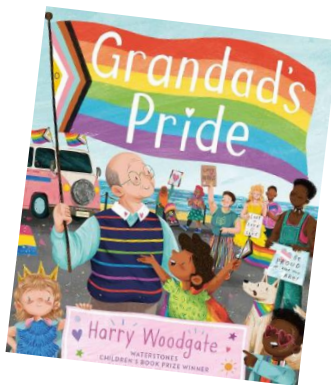
Key Stage 1

See for Yourself by Jordan Stephens, illustrated by Beth Suzanna (Bloomsbury Publishing Ltd, 2025)

Harry's family are obsessed with the sky. In a family of pilots, they're used to being on top of the world. Harry wonders what is at the bottom of the world, and together with his dad, they go to find the deepest place there is. A heart-warming story about a father-son relationship and having the courage to do something new.

Grandad's Pride by Harry Woodgate (Andersen Press, 2024)

Every summer, Milly stays with her Grandad by the sea. When searching for hidden treasure in the attic, Milly finds her Grandad's old pride flag. Grandad tells Milly all about Pride and the importance of celebrating the wonderful diversity of community. With the help of the village, Milly brings the joy of Pride to Grandad. A beautifully illustrated, simple, yet meaningful story.



August

*Read a book
set on a beach*

September

*Read a book
all about
plants*

Summer Reading Challenge



We are delighted to confirm that our lovely Killamarsh Library (which is based down at the Leisure Centre) is running the summer reading challenge again this year.

They are hosting lots of fun events and activities over the summer holidays linked to this year's theme of 'Story Garden – Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors', exploring the magical connection between storytelling and nature.

You can sign up at your local library, and the challenge is to read 6 or more library books over summer.

There are up to 6 stickers to collect and once you've collected them all you'll receive a medal and certificate.

We love reading at our school and the challenge encourages reading for pleasure, helps children maintain reading skills over the summer, and can help to boost their confidence and self-esteem.

You can find out more information using the following link:

<https://libraries.derbyshire.gov.uk/events#/events/75701b43-8218-4957-9186-7b2bc1fe35fc>

Book Nic

Here at KINS we love to read and we love to share a book together. This school year we have introduced the lovely Book Nic to our continued efforts to build a love of reading. Here are just a few pictures to share our enjoyment and hopefully you might be able to enjoy a Book Nic at home over the summer.

