

Upcoming Events

- Saturday 29th till 5th of February – local library Harry Potter treasure hunts
- Tuesday 22nd February (HALF TERM) The brilliant illustrator Liz Million will be at Ashington Library from 10:30 till 11:30 for a draw along session. You can book your space via the Northumberland Libraries Facebook page.
- World Book Day is on Thursday the 3rd of March, look at page 2 to find out more about what we have planned.

This Week in school...



Silver Award

Our very first silver award has been given out to a pupil in Year 6 who has read 8 books on his Reading Quest list. CONGRATULATIONS! Remember that the reading quest is open to all pupils, including Nursery, and the lists can be found on the school website as well as in the older children's planners.



This week **Year 4** have been identifying facts and opinions to create a group poster about their packet of sweets using information on the actual packet. They researched extra facts from the internet and they found that facts are often presented with opinions too. We have also been reading Greek Myths about an inventor called Daedalus who created a labyrinth for a mythical creature. He then devised a clever plan so he and his son could escape from the island they were being held prisoners on using wax and feathers to make wings. Unfortunately his son Icarus flew too close to the sun and the wax melted and Icarus fell into the sea! This linked perfectly with our science lesson on temperature and melting points! In **Year 2**, the children have read 'Wild Pets.' They particularly liked the fish that became a shark at night! **Year 6** had the huge privilege of taking part in a Zoom call with the Harry Potter illustrator, Jonny Duddle. He taught us how to create Hagrid in his style and explained how he came to be an illustrator of children's books – it was brilliant! This week the **Year 3's** have finished our class reader Tony Robinson's 'Weird world of wonders - Romans'. We have decided to start reading 'The Witches' by Roald Dahl. We have continued to look at non-fiction texts about Romans in English and use these as a basis for our own writing. In **Year 1** we have been reading The Enormous Turnip. We have started our PE dance sessions based on this story. This week **Reception** have thoroughly enjoyed the puppet topic. We have been reading Sock It! by Neil Griffiths, which gave us some inspiration to create our very own shadow and sock puppets. We described the character, setting and event for our sock puppet play. The children enjoyed performing at the Reception Puppet Theatre in front of an audience. In **Nursery**, the children have been sharing lots of different teddy bear stories. We also enjoyed making our own story thinking about places we would take our teddies and what we would do.



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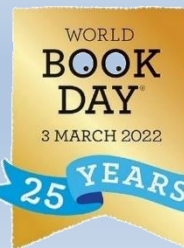
Start collecting jars!

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, we are going to set you a special challenge to complete during the half term holidays. We would like you to create A BOOK IN



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A JAR which you can bring into school for display in our library after the holidays. To take part, all you need is an idea and empty jar so everybody can take part. Throughout the week you can transform the inside of your jar to create a miniature world that is just like your book. Have a look at these examples and see if you can guess which story they are based on...



Waterstones Recommends...

This week, we have two brilliant book recommendations from Waterstones in Morpeth.

Pop in and have a browse and make sure you read the reviews on display by our very own pupils.

The Land of Roar By Jenny McLachlan

The first in an exciting adventure series set in a magical world with Wizards, Dragons and one pretty scary baddie. Arthur and Rose travel back to the Land of Roar, an imaginary world they created when they were younger but as they turn 11 and strange things start to happen they wonder if it really was imaginary!



The Umbrella Mouse By Anna Fargher

A fast paced adventure set during the Second World War. The wonderful Umbrella Mouse teaches us that you don't have to be big to be brave and Pip is one of our favourite heroes!

Draws on true stories of the animals caught up in the Second World War.



We have some absolutely fabulous regular readers across the school. Here is a gallery of children from Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 who are setting a brilliant example with their love of books and excitement about reading.

