

Bleak Hill Primary Reading Newsletter



Spring B Edition

Welcome!

Welcome to our second edition of the Bleak Hill Primary School Reading Newsletter. This half term, we celebrated World Book Day, the children and staff had lots of fun coming into school in their pyjamas with their favourite book. In the week leading up to World Book Day, we hosted our second Book Fair of the year. It was a huge success, we sold over £2000 worth of books which provides us with £1200 of commission to spend on more books for Bleak Hill. We are looking forward to enjoying more reading in the Summer term.

Mr Dagnall (Deputy Headteacher and Reading Leader)

Reading Competition!



Well done to all of the children that took pictures reading in unusual places. I loved seeing children reading upside down, on hoverboards, whilst throwing basketballs and in lots of other unusual places. Well done to some of our enthusiastic readers who received a £5 voucher to spend on a book of their choice.

Bleak Hill Book Spines

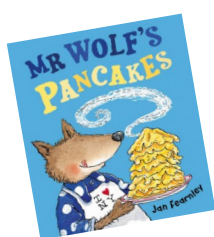
At Bleak Hill, we have developed a number of different book spines as part of our Golden Thread of Reading. Our reading spine is a collection of books that we want all of the children at Bleak Hill to enjoy. Each spine has been constructed to ensure to that children hear the best stories read aloud to them by their teachers for pleasure. Please see an example of a page from our Bleak Hill Values Book Spine.

Scan the QR code to read more about our Bleak Hill Book Spines.

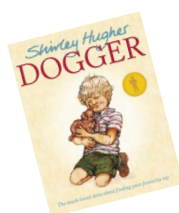


Unity and Collaboration

What have we read in Class this half term?



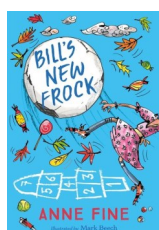
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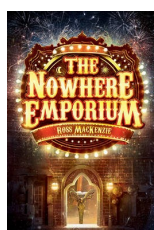
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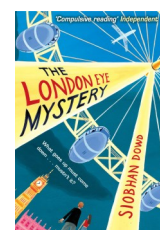
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Accelerated Reader Milestones

Five Word Millionaire

- Grace (6D)

Word Millionaires

- Alistair (6C)

- William (6C)

- Lucas (6D)

- Diya (5RW)

- Reuben (5RW)

- Joseph (5RW)

- Daniel (5KW)

- Niamh (4B)

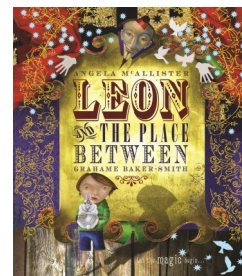
- Phoebe (3H)

- Freya (3H)

Mrs Corkill recommends...

Mrs Corkill recommends *Leon and the Place Between* by Angela McAllister. A truly magical book with beautiful illustrations. We have recently enjoyed sharing this book in Year 3.

Wanting to prove to his brothers and sisters that magic really exists, Leon volunteers to be in Abdul Kazam's magic show and gets transported to a mysterious world. Filled with rabbits, doves, playing cards and magician's assistants - among other things - if a magician can make it disappear, it will end up in the Place Between.



Eccleston Library Opening Times

Monday - 10am-7pm

Friday - 10am-5pm

Tuesday - 10am-5pm

Saturday - 10am-1pm

Wednesday - Closed

Sunday - Closed

Thursday - 10am-5pm

Reading News

Reading Buddies

Earlier in the half term, Reception and Year 3 buddied up to read some stories together. The Year 3 children enjoyed having the opportunity to share their favourite stories with the Reception children, who were a great audience.

Phonics Course for parents

EYFS and Key Stage 1 parents have had the opportunity to further their Phonics knowledge over the last few weeks, taking part in a range of activities and learning. Thank you to the parents for participating.

Collective Worship

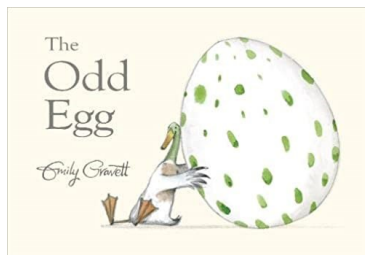
During Collective Worship, stories are shared with children linked to our Bleak Hill Values and our weekly merits. Please see a selection of the books we have shared this half term.



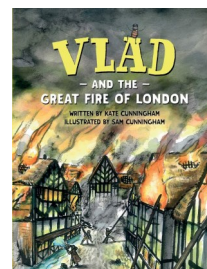
Books used as Writing Drivers this half term



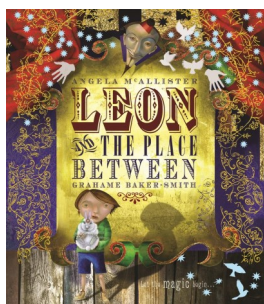
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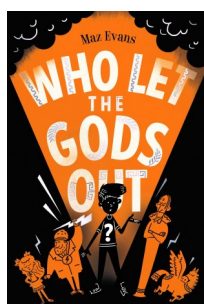
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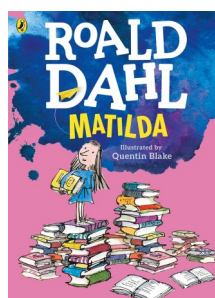
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Whole Class Reading at Bleak Hill

Reading is of paramount importance at Bleak Hill. It is something that we prioritise in our curriculum in a number of ways. We have our Reading Spines which link books to subjects within our curriculum; we practise reading skills daily as part of our Whole Class Reading sessions, we read for pleasure and also have writing drivers that provide the basis for our English curriculum. During our whole class reading lessons our children are explicitly taught the skills of reading (outlined in the National Curriculum and the KS1 and KS2 test domains).

Monday	Interrogate the Text - retrieval based questions on the selected text for the week
Tuesday	Vocabulary - understanding definitions of ambitious vocabulary used in the text
Wednesday	Model and Mirror - deduction based questions answered as a Class
Thursday	Warm Application - independent questions assessing children's understanding of the text
Friday	Cold Application - comprehension activity on an unseen text



Scan the QR code to read more about Whole Class Reading at Bleak Hill.