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Alexandra Park Primary School

Reading Newsletter Spring



Poetry Competition - Update



Year 3!

Watch the
performance
with Michael
Rosen here



Last term, we brought you news of Year 3 submitting an entry for the Stockport Children's Poetry Festival following some reading in class. We are delighted to share that our wonderful children were successful in their efforts and a large group of them had the opportunity to visit Guild Hall this term. We had the honour of being chosen to perform our poem about climate change on stage with celebrated children's poet, **Michael Rosen**. This was an outstanding experience and something the children, and staff, will remember for years to come. Well done, everyone!



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Reading Ambassadors

Working as a team!

This term, our reading ambassadors have been busy thinking of ideas about how to develop reading for pleasure across school. In our meetings and day to day conversations, we have planned further links with the local library and other groups within the community. Furthermore, as a team, we have successfully organised World Book Week and have plans to reorganise the library to make it more user friendly. The reading ambassadors have also introduced 'Reader of the Week' certificates which celebrate positive reading attitudes in school or at home. They have also asked if they can help organise reading parties so different classes across school can enjoy reading together each half term.



★ Reading Champion ★

Congratulations to _____

for _____



Date _____ Signed _____



World Book Week!

This term, we enjoyed celebrating our love of reading through World Book Week. Throughout the week, we took part in a variety of activities and events to help develop reading for pleasure.

This involved children from different ages working together. This year, the theme was 'Read Your Way'. The excitement around school was fantastic and we had such a fun time!

Book parties

KS1 with KS2

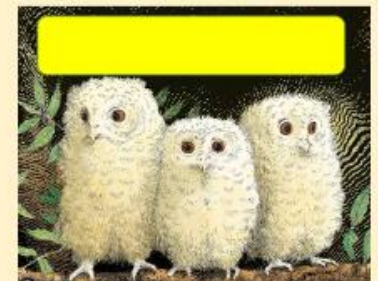
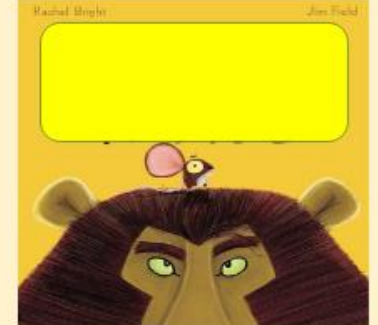
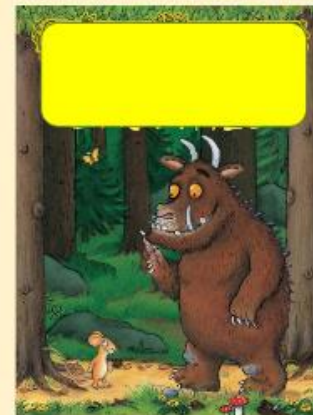


READ YOUR WAY

Find the right **way** to read
Find the right **thing** to read
Find the right **time and place** to read

Assembly Launch!

HAPPY WORLD BOOK DAY WEEK



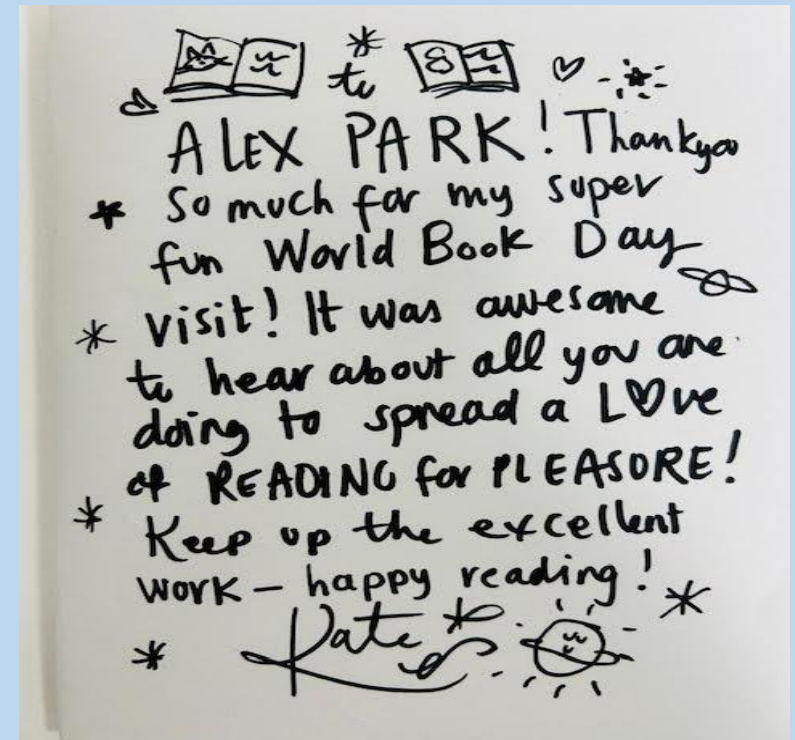
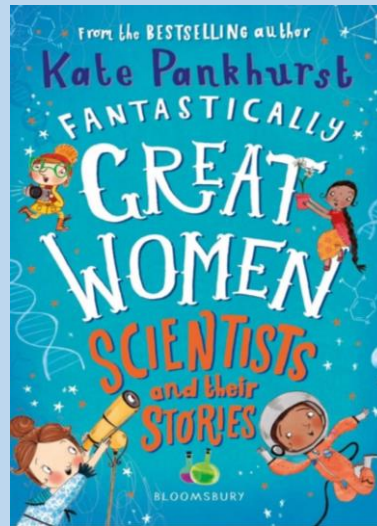
Name That Book -
Quiz

World Book Week!

Author Visit!



We had the privilege of welcoming Kate Pankhurst to support our work around reading for pleasure. Kate's work matches our school values and we were so pleased she agreed to work with us. Kate stayed with us all day and delivered a variety of workshops with all year groups in what was a truly fantastic day. Kate discussed her journey to becoming an author/illustrator as well as using props to bring to life some of her most recent book releases. The children asked questions, took part in interactive tasks and even had the chance to take part in a book signing.



Kate Pankhurst

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Story time!



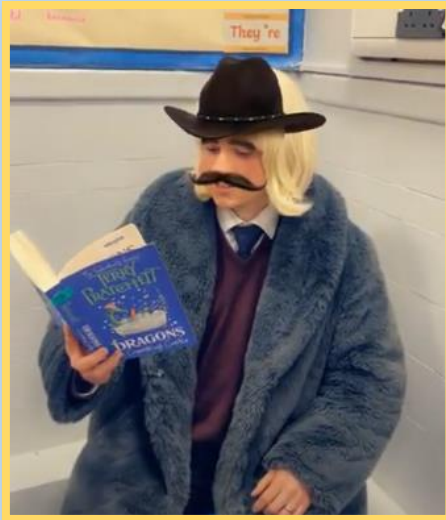
Reading and Drawing!

Kate Pankhurst



World Book Week!

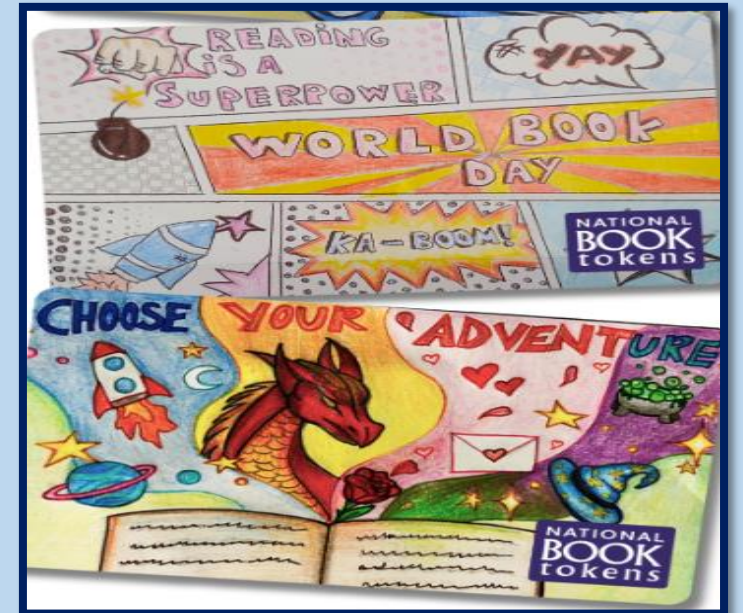
Mystery Reader Challenges



Online Shows and Author Talks



Book Token Competition



Extreme Reading!

We challenged the children (and staff) to read in extreme, unusual places. Take a look at just some of the wonderful places people have been reading. Well done, everyone!



Vocabulary Day

Children took part in our vocabulary day by coming dressed as one of their favourite words. This may have come from a favourite book or a word they wanted to recommend to others!



Other news

Reading Volunteers in Key Stage Two

We are always exploring different ways to support our children with developing a love of reading. If you are passionate about reading, literature and contributing to a reading for pleasure culture across school, perhaps joining us to be a reading volunteer in Key Stage Two is something you would be interested in? We would love to hear from you and discuss possible opportunities.

If you would like to volunteer some of your time and support reading, please contact Mr Read via the email below:
luke.read@alexandraparkprimary.uk



New KS1 Library



This term, we have also introduced a new library down in KS1. This is used for story times and weekly library slots so the children can continue to enjoy a range of texts at school and at home. Furthermore, the library is used

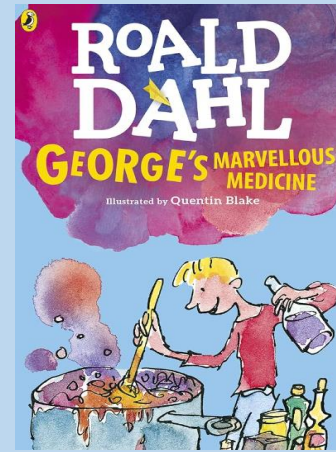
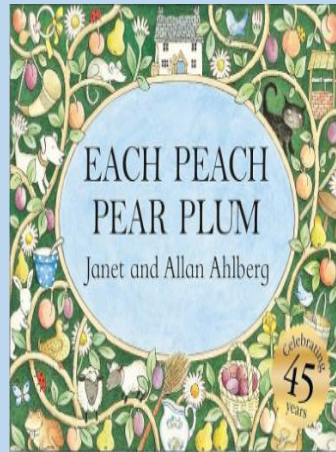
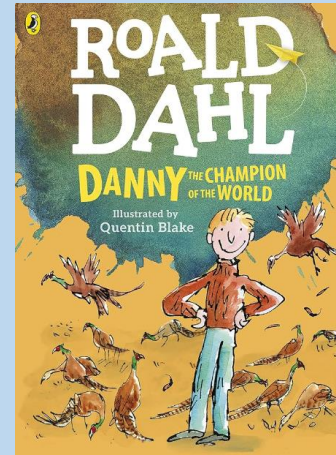
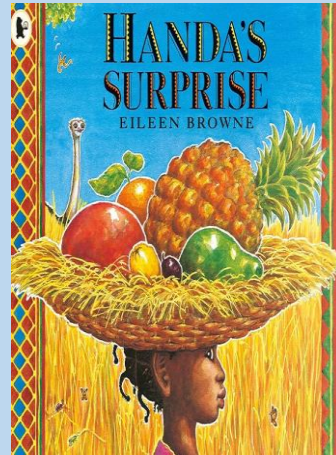
EYFS...



Miss Cresswell

One of my favourite books at the minute is Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne because it teaches an important message about being kind to others. It also keeps the children guessing which fruit will go missing next! When I was younger, I enjoyed reading the text 'Each Peach Pear Plum' as it introduced lots of new characters throughout.

Teacher Readers



Key Stage Two...



Miss Simpson

One of my favourite authors is Roald Dahl. When I was younger I enjoyed reading Danny Champion of the World because of the interesting story line and characters. I have enjoyed reading George's Marvellous Medicine at school because it has lots of laugh-out-loud moments.