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Reading Newsletter– Autumn 1 2023

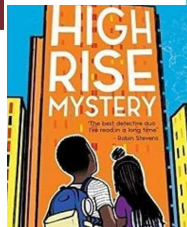
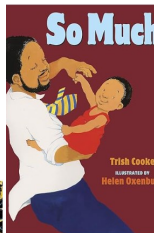
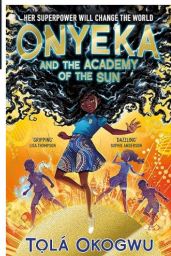
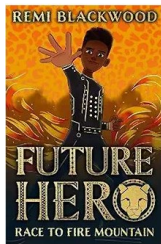


Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our first half-termly reading newsletter of the year. The DFE Reading Framework 2023 states that 'reading is fundamental to education. Proficiency in reading, writing and spoken language is vital for pupils' success. Pupils who find it difficult to learn to read are likely to struggle across the curriculum'. Here at The Canons we understand the importance of reading and are continuing to ensure that reading is at the very centre of our school and that we are instilling in our pupils a love of reading. 'Pupils who read regularly report heightened levels of social and emotional wellbeing. For many, reading is a form of relaxation, a place to escape everyday challenges, a source of entertainment. Reading allows readers to adopt new perspectives, develop empathy and become more socially conscious.'

Black History Month

The theme of this year's Black History Month is 'Celebrating our Sisters'. The aim of this theme is to learn about Black and Mixed Heritage British women who have shaped history so here are some great books written by them.



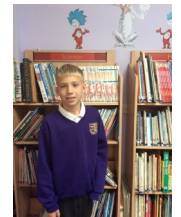
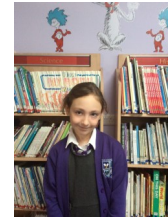
We celebrated National Poetry Day in School on the 5th October; this year's theme was Refuge. The staff shared their favourite poems with their class and we also introduced an exciting competition for children aged 8-11 to enter. For those who still wish to enter, poems need to be based on the theme of Refuge and be less than 250 words. Please give your poems (labelled with your name and class) to your teacher **before 15th November 2023**. We have already received some fantastic entries!

Reading Ambassadors:

Each class in KS2 has elected a Reading Ambassador who has been chosen for their love of reading, their willingness to share this passion with others and enthusiasm to promote reading throughout the school.



Year 3: Harper Freeman, Isla Madden and Lily Cooper



Year 4: Emily Haycock, Sydney Watts and Oscar Wisniewski



Year 5: Lyla Smith, Kai Moustakim-Doyle and Emma-Grace Carpenter



Year 6: Lucy Ashby, Chloe Clarke and Daniel Emery



The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting from **23rd November to the 28th November**. The children will get a chance to browse the books during school and parents/carers will then be able to visit the **Upper School Hall from 3:15-4pm**. You can pay in cash or use the QR codes provided at the fair to pay via credit or debit card. If you cannot attend the fair, you will be able to order books using the form your child will bring home. Please do support it as we receive points for every purchase – these allow us to invest in more books for school!



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To earn this badge, you must:

- Tell us about a book you have read and what you think about it. Maybe you liked the characters, or perhaps you enjoyed going on exciting adventures in faraway places.
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- Let us know what other books and authors you have enjoyed reading and why.

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The Canons celebrate reading achievements!

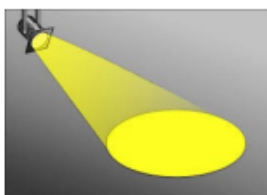
Along with the library reading challenge, William & Jennifer Key also did a reading challenge for Myton Hospice. They read over 100 books between them over the summer & raised £100.



Eric Gilbey in 6JD took part in Bedworth Library's Summer Reading Challenge over the holidays and was invited to a presentation to collect his medal and certificate.

Last year, our Year 4 children took part in a reading challenge run by the Warwickshire Schools Library Service, where they won the award for most creative response. We will be taking part again this year. Participating pupils in Year 4 will be asked to borrow and read any four books from their local library and record their thoughts in a specially designed Reading Log. We will then select a team of pupils to attend a Final Celebration Event where each class team will take part in a fun, book related quiz and activities, competing against other schools in the County.

A special thank you to some lovely book donations we've received, including from Sim at Waterstones in Nuneaton. We are hoping to invite her in for an assembly to speak to the children about how we can live 'Life in all its fullness' through books!



Spotlight on...

Summarising

Each half-term we will include some questions that you could ask your child, focussing on one area of reading comprehension.

Summarising is selecting small snippets of information in a simple structure; it helps students to sort the important information from the irrelevant.

- What is the main message in this paragraph?
- Can you describe what has happened in this paragraph/chapter?
- Using _____ or fewer, could you write a new blurb for this book?
- What sticks most in your mind about _____?
- What moment do you remember most from _____?
- How would you sum up _____?
- Number the _____ from 1-4 in the order that they appear in the text.