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## Reading Newsletter

### February 2024



Welcome to our reading newsletter. This newsletter is designed for parents and children and we hope you enjoy sharing it. We hope to keep you up to date with what is happening in regard to reading in our school. Happy Reading!

### Reading in School

#### Author Visit

Before Christmas, Kath from Wooler Library and her friend Claire came to visit Oak and Cherry Class. They wrote and illustrated the book called Glenda's Visit to Wooler. We enjoyed hearing all about how they created the book and listening to the story about Glenda the sheep. They have very kindly left us a copy of the book for the school library.



#### World Book Day

On Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> of March we will be celebrating World Book Day and we will be dressing up as our favourite characters, taking part in reading activities and watching the Masked Reader (more details to follow)!

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**  
7 MARCH 2024

#### EXTREME Reading Challenge!

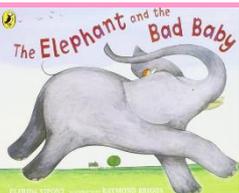


We would like children to get a photo of themselves reading their books in unusual and out-of-the-ordinary places. In previous years we have had children reading in tractors, boats and even at a Castle! The more creative – the better (obviously with adult supervision)! We would love for families to get involved as well so please feel free to join in.

Children can bring in a hard copy of their photographs or upload to Seesaw **before World Book Day**. All of the pictures will be added to what we hope will be a fantastic display of our children reading in a whole host of weird and wonderful places. There will be a book related prize for the most extreme reader in each class.

### Staff Book Recommendations

Miss Carr- Oak Class

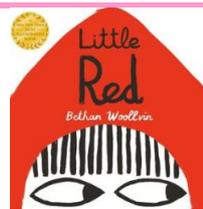


**The Elephant and the Bad Baby** by Elfrida Vipont

The Elephant takes the Bad Baby for a ride and they go

'rumpeta, rumpeta, rumpeta down the road'. They help themselves to lots of treats and everyone is not happy!

Mrs Howie- Cherry Class



**Little Red** by Bethan Woolvin  
On her way to Grandma's house, Little Red meets a wolf.

That might scare some little girls, but not this little girl. A modern retelling of a classic.

Mrs Burn- Beech Class



**Leon and the Place Inbetween** by Grahame Baker-Smith

Leon volunteers to be in a magic show and gets transported to a

magical world. Filled with rabbits, doves, playing cards- among other things!

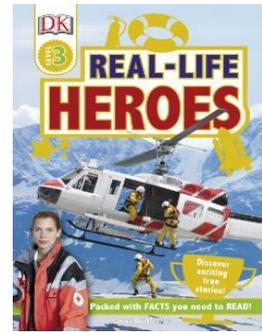
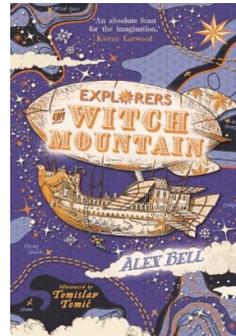
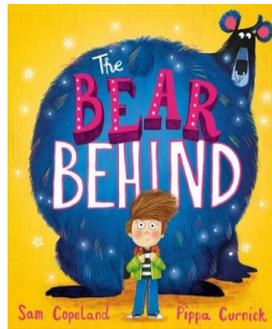
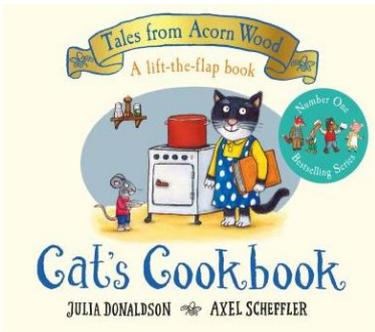
**REMEMBER** you can enjoy books by reading on your own, being read to or listening to audio-books.

## Wooler Library!

*Wooler Library is open - it's free to join and you can borrow 12 books at a time!*

We are open: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday 10am - 4.30pm, Thursday 10am - 7pm and Saturday 10am - 1pm.

We have new books to borrow – why not try?



Come and visit us over February half-term holiday! We have Little Colin the Bear on his holiday visiting Big Colin who lives at the library. He would like it very much if you would write in his adventure diary telling him all about your holiday adventure's!

## Book Website and App Recommendations

The Empathy Lab 2024 #ReadforEmpathy collection was launched this week. There's so many incredible books featured within it that were chosen because they help children understand and share emotions, highlight important world issues, show diversity and identity and inspire empathy in action.



You can find it here- <https://irp.cdn-website.com/b2f3fbc2/files/uploaded/FINAL%20PRIMARY%20EMPATHYLAB%20GUIDE%20JAN24.pdf>

