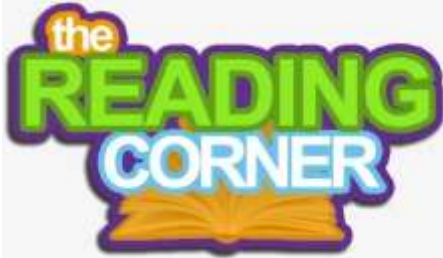




# THE CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER **FEBRUARY 2022**



**Make sure you join the local library if you have not already done so! They hold activities for children during half term.**

**A LIBRARY CARD IS THE START OF A LIFELONG ADVENTURE.**

--- LILIAN JACKSON BRAUN ---



## World Book Day Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

We are celebrating World Book Day by marking 150 years since the publication of the Jules Verne classic 'Around the World in Eighty Days'. This will give us the opportunity to celebrate diversity within our school community and beyond. Throughout the day, the children will travel around the world listening to stories from different places with different cultures.

### Dressing up

The children are invited to dress up on the day as someone or something from a different country. Please do not feel you have to buy an elaborate costume; your child could help you make a simple prop such as hat with landmarks from the country on. They could dress in the colours of their favourite flag or might have traditional clothing at home which would be wonderful to see.

### Challenge Time!

We would like to your child to make a flag as our book day challenge! It can be any size but should represent their favourite book or character. You might like to start thinking about this with your child at half term. The intention of this activity is for the children to be able to use their flag to discuss what they like about the book or character. They could re-tell the story too. The children will have an opportunity to share their entries with the class and then they will be displayed in the library.

Please bring your 'flags' to school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

### Book Tokens

This week, every child will receive a £1 World Book Day Token which can be exchanged from Thursday 17 February – Sunday 27 March 2022 for one of the [specially selected books](#) that are available in certain book stores ([search here](#)). Alternatively, children can use their £1 voucher against the cost of a more expensive book.



## Superstar Readers

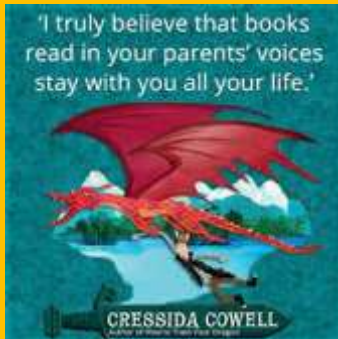
There is a Superstar Reader nominated in every class at the end of each half term. Who will it be this term? Make sure you check your doorstep on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February!

Evie was delighted when she found out she was one of the Superstar Readers in December!





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## Reading Awards

The Reading Awards will take place at the end of this week. They will be given for consistent reading each week throughout the half term.

It is so important for all children to read regularly at home in addition to in school.



## Fun Home Activities for Half Term

- 1 – Have a book themed day:** Pick out your favourite book or author and plan your day around it. E.g. Dr. Seuss Books – Talk only in rhyme for an hour, eat Green Eggs and Ham, and make a bucket list of all the places you want to go! Harry Potter – Make butter beer treats, play Harry Potter games, practice making your own homemade potions, and maybe even make some chocolate frogs!
- 2 - Act out your favourite book:** Use different voices for each of the characters, make fun props or stick puppets, you could have one person read while the other people act it out. You could even mix it up by adding silly things to how you act it out – use an accent, do it backwards, act like a dinosaur, etc.
- 3 - Create and play a game based on your favourite book:** You could hide a golden ticket I the house, make a board game or have a scavenger hunt with clues from books.
- 4 - Write and illustrate a book:** Use blank pieces of paper or a notebook and create a new story or recreate a classic favourite.
- 5 – Read to someone different:** Call a relative and read to them over the phone or online. Read to a neighbour, a pet or even a toy!
- 6 – Get crafty:** Draw or make a scene, character from event from a favourite story. The back of wallpaper is great for this.
- 7- Make treats based on a book:** What could you make with a book theme! Caterpillar fruit salad, Gruffalo Pie, Chocolate Treats from the Chocolate Factory.

## Family Helpers

Thank you to all of the Family Helpers who have been volunteering their time in school each week. Regular reading makes such a difference for the children.



## Chatter Books

The children are enjoying Chatter Books lessons every Friday in school. During this time, they have the chance to talk about all things 'booky'! The aim of these lessons is to develop an intrinsic love of reading which has countless benefits. The research behind Chatter Books is now available to view on the Open University Reading for Pleasure [website](#).

