



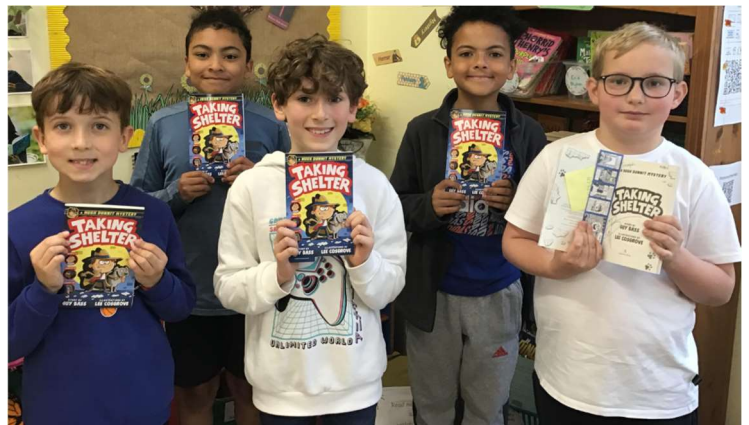
## Summer 1 Reading Newsletter

Welcome to Christ the King's Reading Newsletter for Summer 1 2024. In this newsletter and those that follow, we would like to share updates with our community about what is going on in school to promote a love of reading for pleasure. At CtK, we aim to open the minds of our children through the power of reading. Using our wide and growing collection of books we want to; inspire and engage children, support their understanding of the wider world including culture and diversity and provide role models for the children through a variety of authors. We hope this newsletter keeps you up to date and provides you with ideas and inspiration to foster a love of a reading at home with your child. If you have any recommended reads, please let us know!

### Author Visit

This morning CtK were lucky to have author Guy Bass visit years 2-5. He told us some great stories about his childhood and his inspiration for writing. Bass also gave us some great top tips for writing our own stories. We listened to him reading one of the books he has written: A Hugh Dunit Mystery: Taking Shelter, and joined in with him as he read his own poems!

Children that had purchased a book stayed behind to have it signed and got the opportunity to ask Guy some questions.



### **COMING SOON...**

After half term, we are looking forward to taking our reading outdoors! Our Reading Ambassadors and Reading Buddies will be opening the Book Bench, which will have book trolleys for both KS1 and KS2 for children to enjoy reading in a comfortable space during lunchtimes.

This term we are planning some special reading sessions to continue to inspire our children to love reading and to make the use of the (hopefully) better weather outdoors. FS1 to Y3 would like to invite parents/carers or grandparents to share books with the children during these sessions - we will group some children together if a parent/carer is unable to attend but it would be wonderful to see as many of our families read together as possible. We look forward to seeing you there.

- **FS1 19th June 2.30-3pm Parent Stay and Read in Little Acorns**
- **FS2 21st June 2.30-3pm Parent Stay and Read in FS2**
- **Y1 17th June 2.30 - 3pm Parent Stay and Read in Y1 outdoor area**
- **Y2 12th June 2.30-3pm Parent Stay and Read in Y2 outdoor area**
- **Y3 10th June 2.30-3pm Parent Stay and Read in Y3 outdoor area**


Book recommendation by Monty

Title: The blunders Author: David Williams

I would recommend this book to: FS1/2  KS1  KS2

This book is amazing! It is funny and has a lot of adventures. Why I like this book is because it is about a strange family who goes on to different places and explores very strange things.

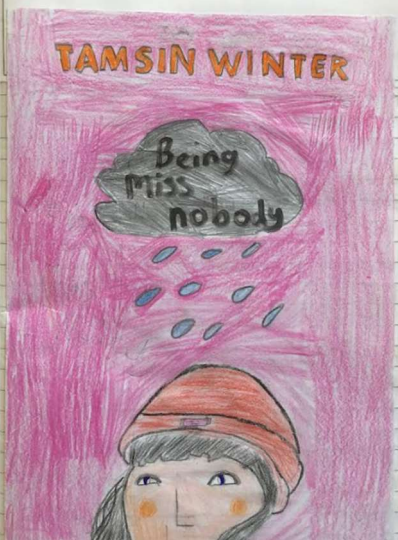
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**BLUNDERS** Illustrated by Adam Stower



Book recommendation by Grace

Title: being miss nobody Author: tamsin winter


I would recommend this book to FS1/2  KS1  KS2  because it is an exciting book and is about someone who has sm and is getting bullied at her new school so she starts a blog.




Book recommendation by Jaxon

Title: wayside school beneath the cloud of doom Author: Louis Sachat

I would recommend this book to FS1/2  KS1  KS2  as it is about a large cloud hovering over wayside school. The chapters are short and the book is taken place in the perspective of the main characters.



# AUTHOR OF THE MONTH



**Helen Rutter**



Helen lives in the countryside just outside Sheffield with her comedian husband, two children and two lovely dogs, Ronnie and Billy Whizz. When she is not tapping away in her writing room, she loves walking the dogs, playing board games and reading.

Before writing her first novel Helen wrote and performed her work on the stage. She has even done some stand up comedy (which was some of the inspiration for The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh!) and before that she was a jobbing actress. If you look hard you could even spot her in old episodes of Coronation Street, Holby City and many other TV staples including adverts, film and voice over. Her very first role was playing Ruby in Jacqueline Wilson's Double Act, so maybe she was always destined to be involved with children's books!

Helen now much prefers to write the stories than be in them! She is currently writing her next book, so stay tuned to find out what she is writing about this time!