

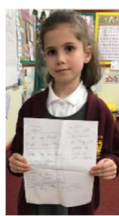


Autumn 2 Reading Newsletter

Welcome to Christ the King's Reading Newsletter for Autumn 2 2025. 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!

Non-fiction November

This year's theme was 'Puzzles and Past times'. Children were encouraged to go home and find some examples of Non-fiction texts linked to the theme. In school, during their weekly Book Talk sessions children had the opportunity to read non-fiction books linked to their history, science and geography topics by playing a game of 'musical books'. When the music stopped, they had 4 minutes to read information from their book and tell the class facts they had learnt before passing the book on when the music started again. They had great fun and learnt lots of new information in Non-fiction November.



Iris in year 3 was inspired by Non-fiction November and wrote her own information poster all about dolphins. It even had a quiz at the end for her classmates. Well done Iris!



Scholastic Book Fair

THANK YOU!

We held our second Scholastic Book Fair at school in November, and what a success it was!

Thank you to all of our CTK families and community who visited the book fair after school with their children and purchased books. Collectively you spent over £1,600. This meant school got over £900 to spend on new books for our classrooms and library. Every class has received four books each, with more to come!

Our Reading Ambassadors have been delivering them as Christmas presents to each class!



New Reading Ambassadors

We have elected our new Reading Ambassadors (yr6) here at CTK for this academic year. Part of their role in school will be to promote their love of books and reading, especially to the younger children when they spend time in the mornings reading with year 1 and 2 children. They will be helping staff to run book clubs and will be part of the Book Talk that takes place in each class once a week, recommending books to children across school.



Reading for Pleasure

Year 1 and 3 have created a welcoming and festive space for children to enjoy reading for pleasure time in their busy days. Thank you Mrs Somers and Mrs Martin!



Book clubs

KS1 story time takes place in the Library every Thursday lunchtime for the children to listen to stories from our Reading Ambassadors.

KS2 Poetry By Heart Club is in the Library every Monday. Children are working hard to learn festive poems by heart. Last week they learnt and performed 'Go Snow Go', which was recorded and shared on the weekly Book Talk PowerPoint for the whole school to watch.



Please click on these links below to find recommendations for children's books of all ages, including a link to our school website where you will find lots of information about Reading for Pleasure.

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/new-book-releases/books-of-the-month/>

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/booklists/b/best-books-for-5-year-olds/>

<https://www.christtheking.wirral.sch.uk/page/reading-for-pleasure/113714>

Christmas recommended reads

On the next page, you will find many book recommendations from @TheReaderTeacher for Christmas time to add to your home libraries.

Recommended books for children aged 5+!

★ Christmas Classics ★



Festive Fiction



Winter Warmers



Factual Books for All the Family



Recommended books for children aged 7+!

★ Christmas Classics ★



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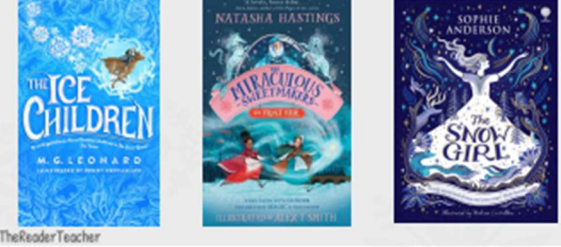
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