



## Reading Newsletter - Autumn 2



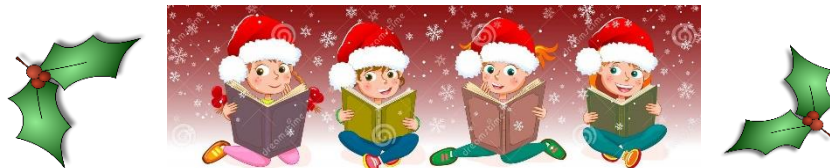
It's Christmas – no better time to buy children books and use the holiday time to read them!

This half term, to prepare for the act of giving this Christmas, we have launched our first '**Seaside Story Bag**' pack in Reception! This exciting new idea, offers Reception children the chance to take home a rucksack full of fiction and non-fiction books, all about bears. The bag encourages the children to read and enjoy the books with a friend or family member at home. Inside the bag, there is a special message for the children from the Reception Bear and with 6 rucksacks packed full of books, the children have been enjoying taking home the bags on a weekly basis.

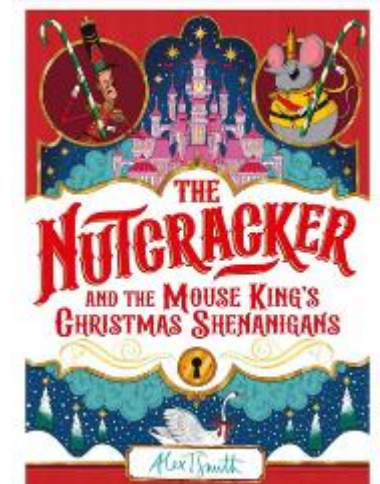
**Exciting news** - Reception may not be the only year groups to enjoy our Seaside Story Bags! Look out in the New Year for our next launch – Mika Monkey and Lex the Lion coming to Seaside with bags of books in January!



## Seaside Christmas - Recommended Reads



**Key Stage 1** – If looking to create a family tradition for next year - Alex T. Smith's whimsical Advent book, has been designed to help your child countdown to Christmas with 24 (and a half) chapters, one to be read each night. From the bestselling author of festive favourites like *The Grumpus* and *How Winston Delivered Christmas*, this book is a gloriously fun retelling of children's Christmas classic *The Nutcracker*. Set in a kingdom made from sweets, the story follows Clara, Fritz and Walter as they try to rescue the Sugar Plum Fairy from the mischievous paws of the Mouse King, who's been causing some serious festive mayhem.



## Key Stage 2

### **A Christmasaurus Carol by Tom Fletcher and Shane Devries (2023)**

The Christmasaurus is back in this brand-new festive adventure which sees one of literature's most infamous Christmas characters enter William Trundle's world. Ebenezer Scrooge is a grumpy and mean Christmas-hater and he's turned up out of the blue and wants to cancel all of the festivities. Now it's down to William and his best friend to try and stop Scrooge before it's too late and everything is ruined.



### **HOME CONNECT - PARENTS - PLEASE DO THIS!**

**Did you know that you can receive email notifications with updates on your child's test and quiz scores?** If you would like to receive email notifications, then follow the instructions below.

To log in to our Seaside Home Connect Website, please use the following link:

<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/studentprogress/homeconnect?t=2249043>

and log in with your child's User Name and Password. This should be recorded in the front of their reading record.

You may need to add [homeconnectautodelivery@renlearnrp.com](mailto:homeconnectautodelivery@renlearnrp.com) to your address book, to make sure that the emails reach your inbox.

### **Quizzing at Home:**

**Accessing Accelerated Reader from Home for Quizzing :**

**Remember to use this NEW link or QR Code:**

<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/studentprogress/homeconnect?t=2249>



# CONGRATULATIONS!

Each class teacher has nominated children within their reading class to receive one of four awards.

- **Reading Target Points Met!** The Teacher sets each child an individual points target – children need to quiz on their books and pass to earn their book points and reach their target!
- **Most Improved ZPD** – this is based on a Star reading test which the children complete each half term. The winner is the person in each class who has had the biggest increase in their ZPD range, which can also be converted to their reading age!
- **Best Attitude to Reading** – all adults involved in reading across the school, select a child who has really impressed them with their efforts towards reading.
- **Best Kept Reading Record** – the child in each class who has recorded a sufficient amount of in school and home reading, as well as identifying new vocabulary within their books.
- **Best Effort with reading Non-Fiction** - the child who is making a real effort to read a variety of non-fiction books.

All the teachers' nominations were placed into a hat and a grand winner for each award has been selected at random.

The winners for this half term are...

Key Stage	Most Improved Reader/ZPD	Best Attitude towards Reading	Best Kept Reading Record	Best Effort with Reading Non-Fiction	Reading Target Points Met
KS1	Tommy Bish	Edith Wilson	Clara Kenny	Lily Woolven	Luna Sole
KS2	Ethan Spragg	Jasmine Onyimba	Milosz Sobol	Laila Greenfield	Lacie-Mae Plank

### **New Word Millionaire Readers**

Children are continuing to work hard towards an increased word count - here are the new millionaires!

An enormous congratulations to these children.

Bronze – 1 million words	Silver – 2 million words	Gold – 5 million words	Platinum – 10 million words!
Dylan Phillips Emily Brazier Gabriella King	Alex Webster Lacie-Mae Plank		

Holly Morris-Simpson Alice Herbert Oscar Davies			
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We are also extremely excited to be able to welcome the following ***new children to AR***. It is lovely when we get to add new children and we really look forward to seeing them progress in their AR journey. It is such a fantastic achievement to move onto 'Accelerated Reader' and we love being able to acknowledge and welcome as many children as we can.

Accelerated Reader Welcomes...		
Aysel Durmishi	George Martin	Tommy Bish
Felicity Vincent	Ida Johnson	Amanda Dragut
Mihrimah Aslan	Mason Feist	Cora Roberts
Luke Pring	Preston Bell	

**Congratulations to the children who were nominated and those that won, enjoy your Book Prizes!**

**You should all be extremely proud of yourselves.**

**Happy Christmas Reading!**

Mrs Irwin

