



# Reading Newsletter

## Autumn 2



Ho, ho, ho it's holiday time and there is no better time to give a book as a gift this Christmas! Garrison Keillor said,

**“A book is a gift you can open again and again”.**

At Seaside we believe this to be true and here are 10 reasons why...

1. books foster a love of reading
2. books promote cognitive development
3. books encourage empathy and emotional growth
4. books provide quality bonding time
5. books cultivate imagination and creativity
6. books are a sustainable gift
7. books offer endless variety
8. books can be personalized
9. books are accessible anytime, anywhere
10. books inspire lifelong learning




### It's Official!

We know our children love books; the Book Fair in October at Parents' Evening raised the school **£2129.99** rewards to spend on books! This is an astonishing amount and has allowed us to fill both libraries with new reading titles, guided reading books for classes of 30 and new curriculum topic books. So, a huge thank you from the children and English Team.

### Exciting times!

As we reach the end of another half term, the children have taken their **AR Star Reading Tests**, which has given their teachers a chance to measure their progress from their last test and celebrate this with the children as their ZPDs increase! So please look in your **child's reading record** for their new ZPD range.

In addition, to track your child's **quizzing progress** at home, please read the  **Home Connect** information below.

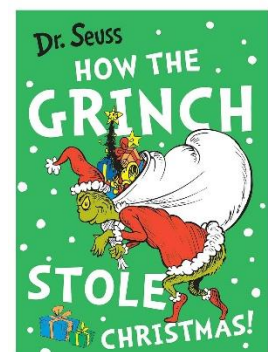


## Seaside Winter - Recommended Reads

### Key Stage 1 - 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas!' by Dr. Seuss

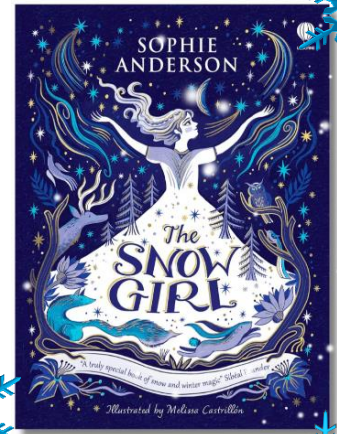
A timeless children's classic that can be enjoyed year after year, little readers will love taking a trip to Who-ville to hear all about the season's most lovable villain.

A rhyming tale from the iconic Dr Seuss, this unforgettable story follows The Grinch, the meanest creature you'll ever meet, who absolutely hates Christmas. But just as he hatches a dastardly plot to steal the big day, his cynical heart is changed by a young girl's generous holiday spirit.



**Key Stage 2 – The Snow Girl: A magical adventure for the whole family to enjoy this winter! By the writer of Chicken Legs & The Girl Who Speaks Bear.**

The wintry landscape of Sophie Anderson's latest book is just stunning and had us enthralled from the very beginning. Sophie's talent for epic storytelling is second to none and this beautiful book is no exception. Her books are always packed with adventure, empathy and originality. If you enjoyed The House with Chicken Legs or The Girl Who Speaks Bear, you are going to love this!



*"Frozen meets Narnia in an enchanting children's novel." The Telegraph*



**HOME CONNECT PARENTS – Your child's quiz scores to your inbox!**

**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 link or QR code:**

<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/2249043>



**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 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       | Riley Young              | Amelia Curtis                 | Vinnie Varga             | Holly Bunce                          | Felicity Vincent          |
| KS2       | Donnie McBride           | Edith Wilson                  | Delilah Ansell           | Alex Webster                         | Tobias Denbury            |

## **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!  |
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| Logan McCreath<br>Cooper Trimm<br>Ivy Jenkins<br>Ned Herbert - Smith<br>Emily Goodman<br>Paul Nguyen | Elsie-Mae Bolland<br>Gabriella King<br>Reuben Nowicki | Some children are very close...but we haven't got any Gold Awards to give out this half term! | WOW<br><b>William Jarman</b><br> |



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.

| <b>Accelerated Reader Welcomes...</b> |                           |                           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jian Alani                            | Molly Andrews             | Riley Young               |
| Krishnan Bishnoi                      | Robin Baker               | Basia Zygmunt             |
| Oliver Collins                        | Alex Croydon              | Woody Trimm               |
| George French                         | Isaac Flack               | Hugo Lewis                |
| Chloe Irving                          | Harry Fortune             | Reggie Poupard            |
| Ayce Batstone                         | Freya Johnson             | Barney McArdle            |
| Holly Drake                           | Maddie Lawrence           | Ronnie Hancock            |
| Amelia Williams                       | Jude Trigwell             | Charlotte Shakespeare-Lee |
| Leo Hollis                            | Isabella Barros Constable |                           |

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

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

**Happy Holiday Reading!**

Mrs Irwin

