



Accelerated Reader Newsletter

Spring 1



Another half term has quickly passed us by, but as we move into Spring Term Two, we have lots to look forward to! **World Book Day takes place on Friday 7th March**, all the children will be enjoying a day of book related activities. Possibly the best day in the school calendar!

BIG THANKS ALL ROUND!

Thank you to all the parents and children who purchased books at our recent Book Fair! Yet again we have been given over **£2000 rewards** to spend on books!

We have already started spending... 30 new copies of Charlotte's Web for Year 4, 100 new Non-Fiction books for Key Stage One and as the children are so proactive at sharing their books, they have suggested books for the KS2

library, such as, The Wizard of Once series, The Nevermoor series and 18 books from the Skulduggery series! The children love seeing new books displayed in the library, they quickly read them and very kindly leave reviews inside the books for others!



Special thanks must go to Joey Lind for all his reviews – having read many series and reviewing each book, please see his recommended book series review below!

More thanks to Mikayla Petrie, Olivia Kelly and Phoebe Shepherd, our school librarians, for their wonderful video blog on how to keep our books organized and respect the libraries!

Recommended Reads

Key Stage 1 – Wigglesbottom Primary Series

Life at Wigglesbottom Primary is often lived on the edge. Laugh-out-loud school-based fun, perfect for encouraging independent reading!

Three short stories in each book keep just confident readers engaged while lively two-colour illustrations bring these hilarious early readers to life and perfectly bridge the gap between picture books and chapter books.

Discover more in the Wigglesbottom Primary series and follow the adventures of these goofy cast of characters!



Key Stage 2- Recommended by Joey Lind.
The Wizards of Once Series - by Cressida Cowell

“These books are better than the Harry Potter series- 5 stars!” Joey Lind 2025

The Wizards of Once is a series of four fantasy adventure by Cressida Cowell, Waterstones Children’s Laureate (2019-2022) and the author of the bestselling How To Train Your Dragon books.

The Wizards of Once is set in an ancient land of wizards, warriors, mythical creatures and powerful magic. The books follow the adventures of Xar and Wish, a boy and a girl from opposing tribes, both concealing secrets. Xar is from a wizard tribe, but was born with no magic, and Wish is from a Warrior tribe, yet is hiding a banned Magical Object. Wizards and Warriors are taught from birth to hate each other, but when Xar and Wish’s worlds collide, a whirlwind adventure starts where they must work together and forget their differences.



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 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>



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	George Martin	Roma Pestrige	Arlo Sulc	Thomas Harman	Tommy Bish
KS2	Archie Lansley	Daisy Rounds	Henry Harman	Felix Hart	Teegan Dale

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!
Betty Grant Jazmine Harrison Charlie Goldup-Finn Tobias Denbury Jacob Mighall Henry Lee Wren Pannett-Carr	Dylan Phillips Esmae Towell	Safeerah Sani Holly Morris-Simpson	

Ava Gregory Amia Kelly Freddie South Archie Peacock			
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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...		
Ruby Lee	Reuben Starr	Roma Pestridge
William Kennard	Aysel Durmishi	Ovwe Agbro

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

