

# BOOKWORMS



Reading Newsletter Issue 1

## A message from the Year 6 Reading Ambassadors:

Welcome to the first issue of our reading newsletter for this academic year. We want to share our LOVE of reading! Our termly newsletters will include book reviews, recommendations and reading tips and ideas to encourage everyone to enjoy reading for pleasure. We will also share with you, all the different ways we celebrate reading at Goat Lees.



The Goat Lees Reading Ambassadors: Izzy, Ella, Laila and Georgie

As part of their trip to Ashford town centre, Alpine class visited Ashford Library where they enjoyed a lovely story time.



### Did you know?

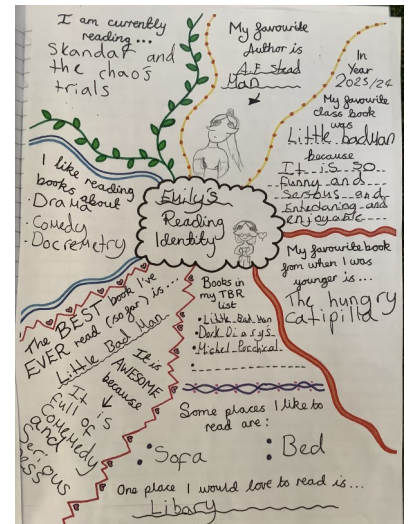
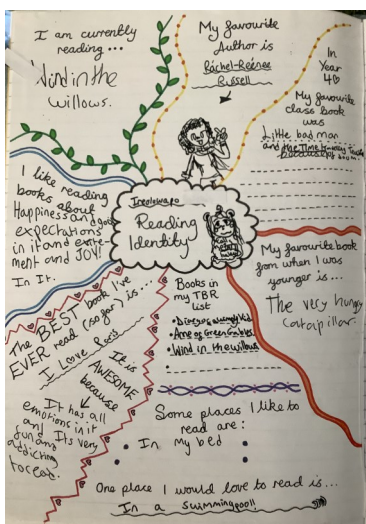
Ashford Library is free to join. As well as having a huge selection of books to borrow from, the library also runs clubs and activities for children and families.

*Let's Celebrate!*

A huge well done to Sofia, from Cashmere class, who has already been awarded her bronze reading certificate!

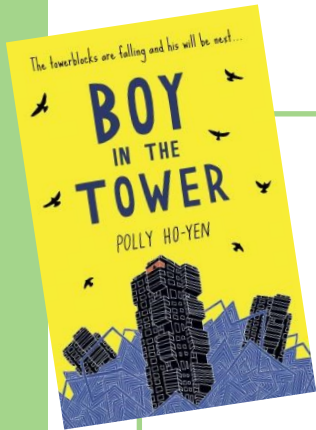
## Everyone's a reader!

On returning to school in September, we thought about what makes us all a reader and then shared our own individual reading identities. These are two examples from Pygora Class.





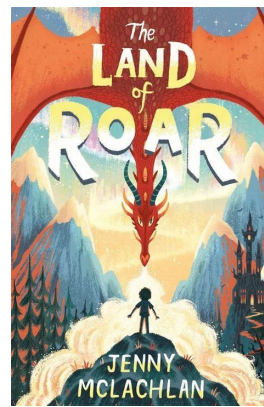
# What are we currently reading?



**Pygmy Class:** *The Boy in the Tower* by Polly Ho-Yen

'I love it because it's full of suspense' - **Lola**

'I'm enjoying it because there's been lots of action with some gruesome bits too!' - **Will**

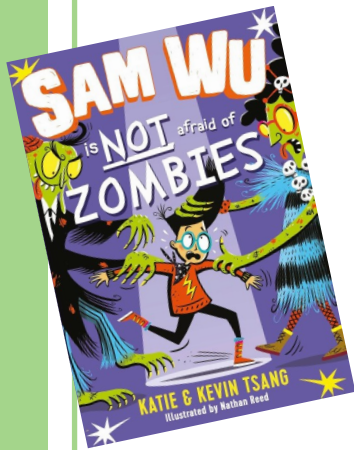


**Pygora Class:** *The Land of Roar* by Jenny McLachlan

'I like the mystery and the mythical creatures' - **Ollie**

'It seems really interesting so far' - **Joe**

**Kinder Class:** *Sam Wu is NOT Afraid of ZOMBIES* by Katie and Kevin Tsang



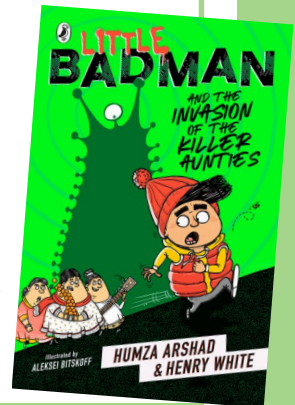
'Regina is a million times nicer than Ralph' - **Harvey**

'I'm enjoying the story because Sam Wu says really funny things' - **Daniella**

**Cashmere Class:** *Little Badman and the Invasion of the Killer Aunties* by Humza Arshad and Henry White

'I think it's very funny - the teacher blew up like a balloon!' - **Sophie**

'It's amazing. It's full of action and I love action books' - **Elyann**



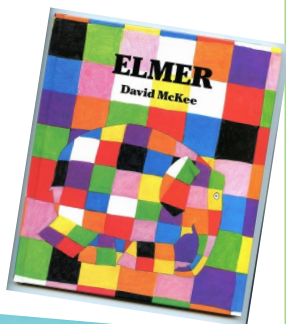
**Alpine Class:** *Space Band* by Tom Fletcher



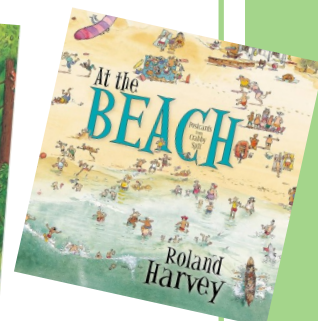
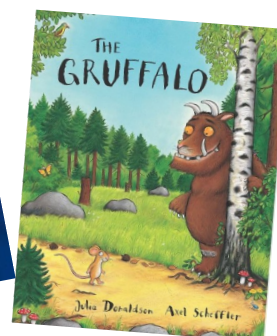
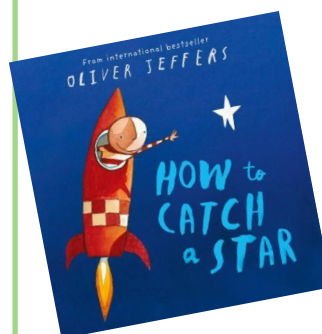
'I like Bash because he plays the drums' - **Dylan**

'I really want to know what happens when they go to space!' - **Elsie**

Books we've enjoyed in **Billy Class:**



Books we've enjoyed in **Angora Class:**

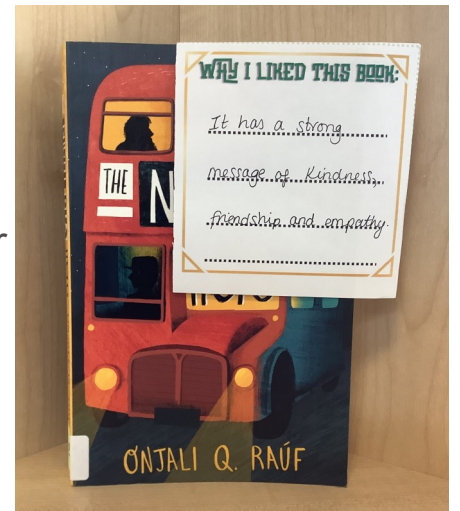




A great way to discover new books we may enjoy is to try recommendations from other readers.

In the library, Mrs Paggett has some new corner bookmarks which can be used to share our thoughts about great books we've read.

We can write down what we enjoyed about a particular book, pop it over the cover or on the corner of a page and then leave it for someone to find when they're looking for their next book.



Our next book swap event will take place early next term.

Everyone is invited to bring along a book they have finished with and swap it for a different one to read!

We've got loads for everyone to choose from!



Check out some of the new books in the library.....





# Recommendations and Reviews

Branching out.....

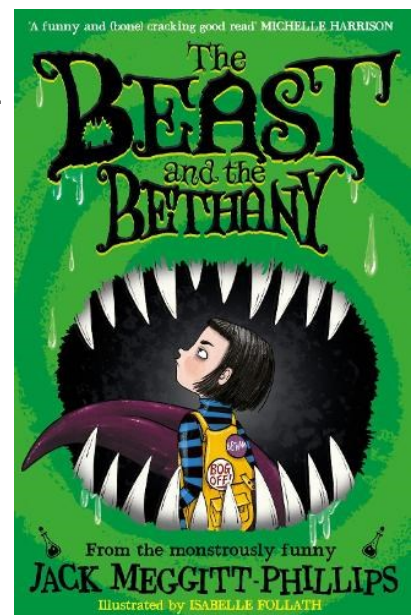


## Reading Ambassador Review: *The Beast and the Bethany*

by Jack Meggitt-Philips

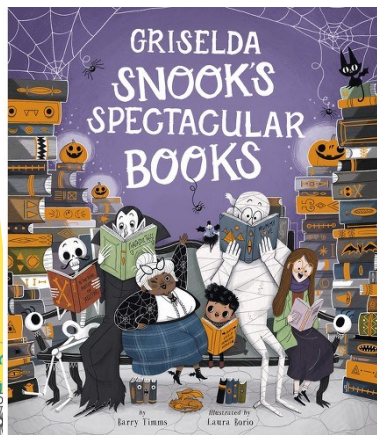
We all LOVED this fantasy story when it was read to us at school. We found it to be very funny and a little bit creepy too! It tells the story of a hungry beast, an immortal man (who is 511 years old!) and a not-so-sweet little girl who is yet to realise she is going to be eaten! Bethany is a great character—she's naughty, feisty and rude—but can she outwit the beast and live to tell the tale?

*The Beast and the Bethany* is the first in a whole series and we can't wait to read them all! The first four books (*The Beast and the Bethany*, *Revenge of the Beast*, *Battle of the Beast* and *The Child of the Beast*) can be borrowed from the school library.





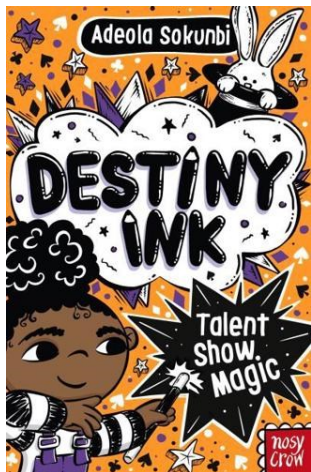
# Books to get excited about this autumn....



Perfect picture books for children in EYFS and Key Stage 1



For readers aged 7+

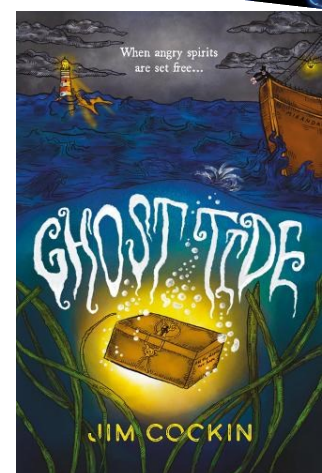


**MILO'S HAT TRICK**



Super reads for 5-7 year olds

Great new fiction for readers aged 9+





# Did you know....?

## THE BENEFITS OF READING BOOKS! \*

It helps to increase your vocabulary



Reading books can encourage empathy

It improves your communication skill



Reading can strengthen your writing ability

You get to learn new things

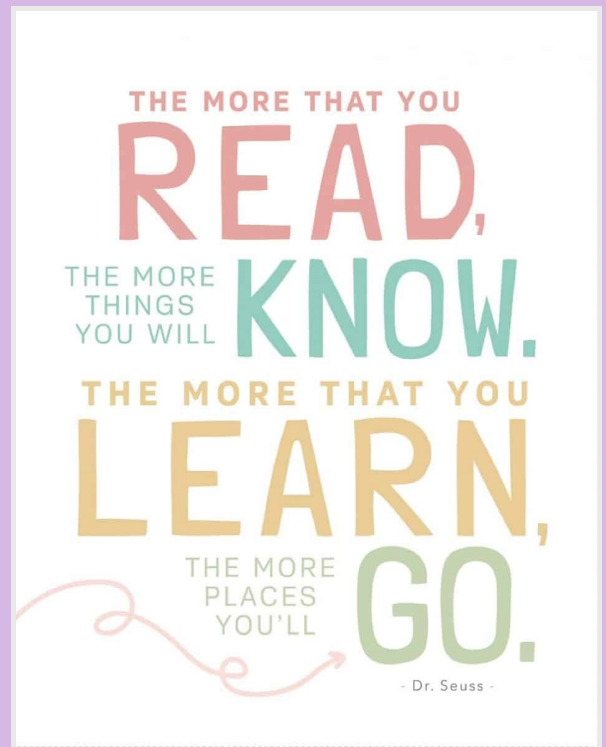


It improves your focus and memory

It is a great way to expand your imagination



Reading can increase your creativity



## Reading tips

- Read what your child loves: ponies, dinosaurs, magic.... anything goes!
- Read little and often
- Ask questions
- Find things in the pictures to talk about