



BRAESIDE READING NEWSLETTER

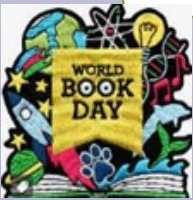


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Welcome to February's reading newsletter. We have some fabulous reads for you this month. 2024 is the Year of the Dragon according to the Chinese zodiac, so in honour of this, our books to check out this month are all about dragons I hope you enjoy !

Please remember that we love to hear what you like to read so if you have any reads you would like to recommend to others please do share with Mrs Doss.

Mrs Doss



World Book Day Coming Soon!

Thursday 7 March

WORLD
BOOK
DAY

We will celebrate World Book Day, with a dress up day. You are invited to dress up in costumes inspired by your favourite book or character. Alternatively you can come to school dressed in your pyjamas ready for a bedtime story. We look forward to seeing your creations

World Book Day Home learning

EYFS and Year 1

Each child will come home with a wooden spoon . We would like you to transform this spoon into your favourite book character.

Years 1-6

We encourage you to use your creativity and photography skills to recreate your favourite book cover.

Short Story Writing Competition (Optional)

Get creative and show off your flare for writing by entering our short story competition. The story theme is 'Courage'. This competition is open to all ages and is a maximum of 1500 words. Your story can be typed or handwritten.

The winner will receive a book voucher and will have their story shared in assembly.

EYFS Recommended Reads



Dragons Love Tacos—By Adam Rubin and illustrated by Daniel Salmieri

Have you ever wanted to lure a dragon to your party? The secret is tacos. Lots and lots of tacos. But be careful. Once dragons start eating their favourite food, they'll want some salsa to go with it, and you better make sure it's not spicy!

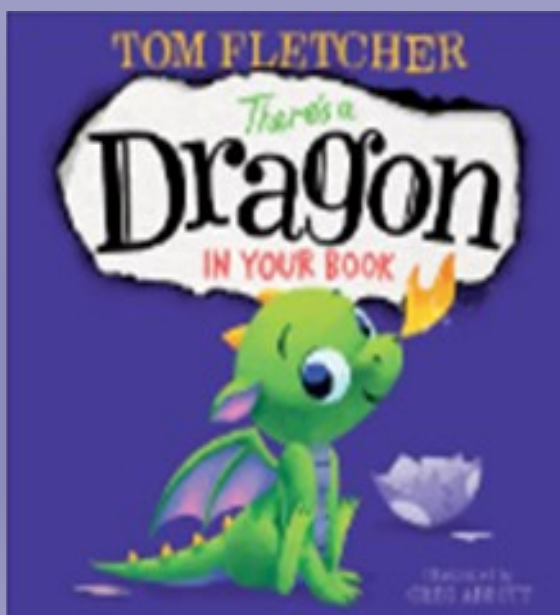
Ellie's Dragon—By Bob Graham

Ellie finds a baby dragon at the grocery store and brings him home. Inseparable at first, Ellie and her dragon gradually grow up and apart. This sweet and timeless book is an ode to imaginary friends and the comfort they bring to children.



There's a Dragon in Your Book—By Tom Fletcher and illustrated by Greg Abbott

There's a baby dragon in your book and she's so cute that you just can't help tickle her nose. But that tickle makes her sneeze and suddenly your book is on fire! Enormously fun and imaginative, this interactive picture book will have readers blowing, tamping down, and flapping pages to help put out the fire.



Year 1 and 2 Recommended Reads



The Dragon Painter— By Lesley Sims

Chang is the best painter in all of China, so it's Chang the Emperor sends for when his new temple needs painting. But why is Chang painting dragons without any eyes? Is it true, as he claims, that if you add eyes, painted dragons come to life? This delightful retelling has sweet, simple text and gorgeous illustrations, with plenty for children to spot as Chang paints his surprising dragons.

The Big Bad Dragon Club— By Beach



*We're the Bad Dragon Club and we're bad as can be.
We're rascals and rogues and wrong'uns all three.
We're so full of bad, any badder and we'd burst.
We're the Bad Dragon Club and we're here to do our worst.*

Scorch, Grub and Fang think they are a rather fearsome gang. But when their attempts to cause mayhem somehow keep misfiring and actually HELP people, will these three bad dragons . . . turn good?

Year 3 and 4 Recommended Reads

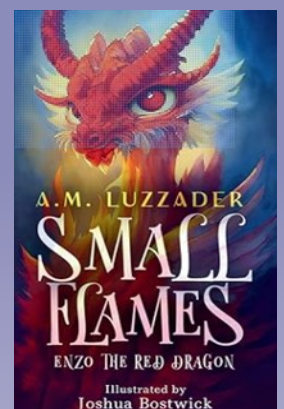


The Unicorn Rescue Society: The Basque Dragon -By Adam Gidwitz and illustrated by Hatem Aly

As potential recruits for a secret organization committed to protecting mythical creatures, Elliot and Uchenna find themselves flying across the Atlantic in Professor Fauna's ramshackle airplane. Their mission? To find the missing dragon of Basque Country. Filled with quirky escapades and humour, kids will love diving into the entire series of adventures with The Unicorn Rescue Society.

Small Flames: Enzo the Red Dragon—By: AM Luzzader

Welcome to the Dragon Realm of Savra, where young dragons, known as Small Flames, compete in the yearly Fire Ridge Tournament to become Valor Dragons. Who will win? Who will be defeated? Each Small Flame has a different story!

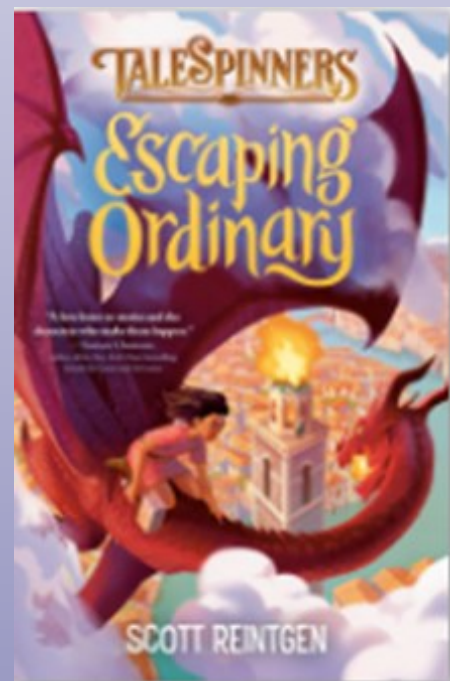


Years 5 and 6 Recommended Reads



Eragon By Christopher Paolini

We can't talk about dragon books without mentioning *Eragon*. For almost 20 years, fantasy lovers have obsessed over the story of a teenage boy who finds a dragon egg and uncovers an ancient legacy of dragon riders. With over 35 million copies sold, this modern classic is a must-read for any dragon-loving reader!



Escaping Ordinary By Scott Reintgen

Young readers are raving over this book about dragons, video games, quests, and a group of friends that must save the world's stories from disappearing forever. This one-of-a-kind adventure will draw in dragon lovers and video game enthusiasts alike.



A Dragon's Guide to Making Your Human Smarter By Laurence Yep and Joanne Ryder and illustrated by Mary GrandPré

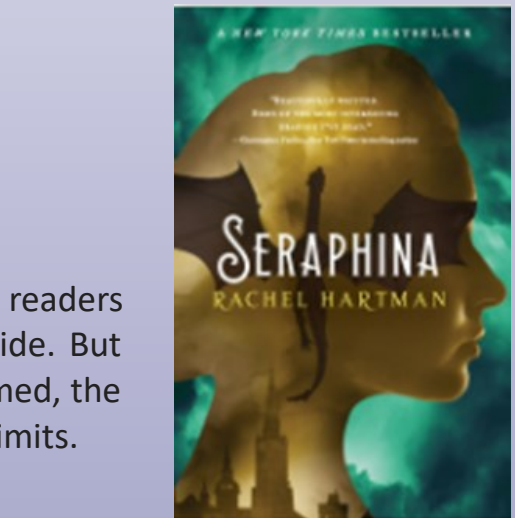
Readers first met Winnie and Miss Drake in *A Dragon's Guide to the Care and Feeding of Humans*; in this second book in the *Dragon's Guide* series, Winnie is excited to be taught science by Sir Isaac Newton at The Spriggs Academy. *A Dragon's Guide to Making Your Human Smarter* is filled with school stories, suspense, and the wonders of true friendship. Its whimsical and imaginative tale of magic, mischief, and, of course, mayhem will not disappoint.

Recommended Reads— Years 7, 8 and 9



Eon—By Allison Goodman

Steeped in a unique blend of Chinese and Japanese mythology, this bestselling fantasy novel centres on Eon, a candidate to become the next Dragoneye apprentice. But Eon is actually Eona, a 16-year-old girl pretending to be a boy. And should anyone discover her dangerous secret, she's assuredly dead.



Seraphina - By Rachel Hartman

Rachel Hartman's award-winning debut novel takes teen readers into a world where dragons and humans live side by side. But when a human prince is murdered, and dragons are blamed, the relationship between the two species is stretched to its limits.

Recommended Reads— Years 10 and 11

The Dragon's Hide — By Dustin Porta DK Holmberg

When Treylen's mentor died, and his bonded dragon failed to grow like the others, he feared he'd be stuck forever at the mountain abbey where the queen's assassins train.

Fate has other plans for him. A message arrives ordering him and his dragon, Rime, on a dangerous mission to kill the glyph scribe who is enchanting weapons for the enemy army.

Infiltrating the enemy city requires a mastery of disguise, deception, and interrogation. Treylen must learn these skills quickly from his new spymaster if he hopes to locate his target. But the comforts of the Dragon's Hide Inn make it a favourite watering hole of enemy rangers and a deadly training ground.

All his training may not be enough to stop the wizard intent on destroying everything Treylen cares about.

