

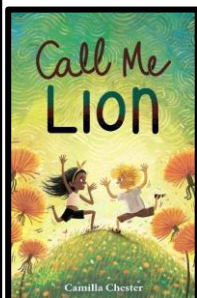
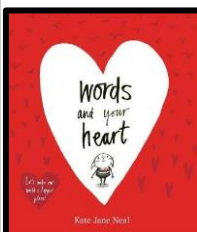
RICH READ RECOMMENDATIONS

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AWARD WINNING BOOK OF THE TERM

Stars with Flaming Tails by Valerie Bloom
Winner of the CLIPPA Poetry Award 2022
Ages 7+

This is a poignant and highly recommended anthology of poetry for children, filled with verse which is as moving as it is fun to read aloud. There are poems to suit every mood, switching from big topics such as the secrets the sun tells the moon to laughter about throwing pancakes so they stick on the ceiling. Bold and seriously stylish illustrations perfectly complement each poem, great and small, in this powerful and memorable collection.



MRS EVENDEN'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

Words and your heart by Kate Jane Neal
Ages 4+

A beautiful book telling a strong story about how words can make us feel. A clear and simple illustration of the power and importance of words. Neal's picture book shows how we can hurt or heal each other with our words. Told through the eyes of Pip and cat, this charming book ends with the characters showing how you can truly make a difference with some amazing words. A perfect book to help young children understand the use of words.

MRS DOLDING'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

On Sudden Hill by Linda Sarah and Benji Davis
Ages 4+

Birt and Etho are best friends; they play on Sudden Hill, making marvellous contraptions out of cardboard boxes and have the best time, just the two of them. But then one day, a new boy, Shu, wants to join in too. What should Birt and Etho do? Follow these three young adventurers as they explore the world around them, different resources, but most of all, friendship.

MRS JEFFERIES' RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

The Awesome Night Sky by Kay Barnham
Ages 4+

This is a wonderful non-fiction book all about what we can see in the night sky. The information is easy to understand for younger readers and the illustrations are bright and colourful. A great book for learning about space but an interesting book at any time! Perfect to read together or for a child to have a look through independently at all the wonderful images.

MISS BROGAN'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

Call me Lion by Camilla Chester
Ages 7+

This is an enchanting tale of overcoming loneliness, standing up to bullies, overcoming fears and finding true friendship. Join Richa and Leo - two unlikely friends who work together to support Leo to overcome his challenges as a selective mute. This is a brilliant story for anyone who has ever felt different and as if they just do not fit in.

MISS HIGHWOOD'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

The Matilda Effect by Ellie Irving

Ages 8+

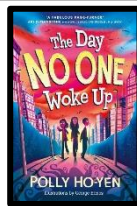
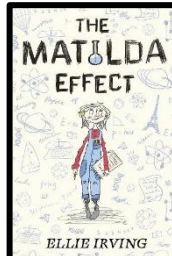
Did you know that 'The Matilda effect' is an actual thing – a bias against recognising the achievements of women scientists? Taking its cue from this worrying trend, *The Matilda Effect* tells the story of a little girl, called Matilda, who loves science and wants to be an inventor. It's a very nice touch that Ellie Irving, at the end, includes a list of Matilda's favourite inventors, plus some science experiments to try at home. Hugely inspirational.

MRS WAHNON'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

The Day NO ONE woke up by Polly Ho-Yen

9+

One morning something strange has happened in Ana's city- she's the only one awake. Confused and curious, Ana sets off to explore, bumping into the one other person who's been able to rouse themselves – her ex-best friend, Tio. On a mission to discover what's happening, Ana and Tio journey through the city looking for clues, their friendship mending with every step. When a mysterious creature suddenly materialises in front of them, Ana realises they've found the answer they've been looking for. But one question still remains: Why them?



MRS OAKLEY'S RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

The Terror of Hilltop House 9+ (Dyslexia Friendly)

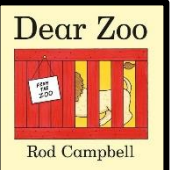
Friends Pete, Krish and Nancy are always on the lookout for weird, unexplained events. They are intrigued when two sheep disappear from a farm, leaving behind strange puddles of gunk. Determined to solve the mystery, their investigation leads them to Hilltop House, a research centre which is developing organic bio-fuels and food crops. As they explore the facility, they discover the Vault, a restricted area which conducts secret experiments. When a powerful storm knocks out the electricity, something sinister escapes from the Vault. Can the plucky friends stop it before it reaches the village and destroys everything in its path?

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PRE-SCHOOL RECOMMENDED READ OF THE TERM

Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell: recommended by Mrs Riseborough

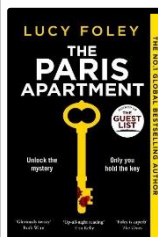
This engaging book, which is also available in an interactive lift the flap version, encourages children to join in with the story telling. With its repetitive text, this book is a clear winner for younger children who will love to retell the story in their own words or learn it by heart. With lots to describe and discuss about the different zoo animals, it will soon become a firm favourite and well-loved early childhood book.



YOUNG ADULT RECOMMENDED READ OF THE TERM

7 Days by Eve Ainsworth: recommended by Mr Cole

Most people have been unfortunate enough to be bullied, but what we often forget is that behind every bully, there is a story and often a reason why someone would behave in such a way. 7 days explores bullying from different, engaging viewpoints.



ADULT RECOMMENDED READ OF THE TERM

The Paris Apartment by Lucy Foley recommended by Mr C

Jess is on her way to meet her brother Ben in Paris, but when she arrives at his apartment block he is not there, and the other suspicious and mysterious residents offer no support. Will she find out what happened to Ben before someone makes her disappear as well?