



The South Wilford Reader

Reading for pleasure is **L**earner Led, **I**nformal, **S**ocial and with **T**exts that tempt

Let's 'Go All In' for Reading!

Hello,

2026 has been marked as 'The National Year of Reading' by The National Literacy Trust and the DfE under the name 'Go All In'.

We have a wonderful year coming up for the children, including another author visit, The Roving Bookshop will return, Pyjamarama, our Summer Booknic and a Big Book Bonanza in January.

Both myself and Mrs Marusiak will be continuing to champion Reading for Pleasure (RfP) through school, so do get in touch if you have any great ideas to share, or anything at all regarding reading!

A huge thank you for all the book donations that have been sent into school. The books really help supplement our book corners and libraries. Please keep them coming in! All donations will go into the school library or will be sold at the Book Bonanza to raise money for new books for school. Here's to another fantastic year of reading ahead!

Mr Dix and Mrs Marusiak

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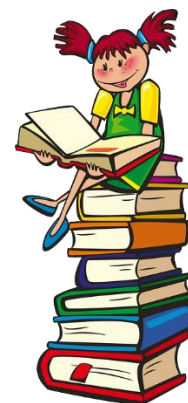
"'Go All In' captures exactly the kind of energy and optimism we need to transform how the nation sees reading. This is about making reading feel relevant, exciting and rewarding right now, not just in the future. We're proud to be working with the Department for Education and partners across the UK to spark a movement that puts reading back at the heart of our culture."

Jonathan Douglas, Chief Executive of the National Literacy Trust

Big Book Bonanza

Friday 23rd January

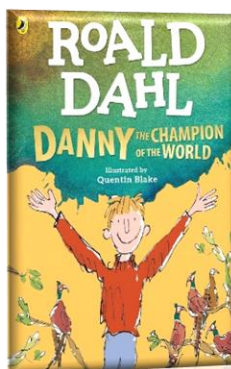
We will be running a 'Big Book Bonanza' on Friday 23rd January after school at South Wilford Primary! This will involve story reading, book swaps and a book sale to help us raise more funds for new books. More information will come out at the start of next term.



I have fond memories of being read Danny the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl when I was in Year 4 at primary school. My teacher Mr Holt read it to the class at the end of each day. It was such a special time that we all looked forward to. I've recently read the book with my son Louis and it was a pleasure to see him enjoying the story just as much as I did.



Mrs Marusiak



What we have been reading this half-term...

EYFS - Mog's Christmas

YEAR 1 - Tom and the Egg

YEAR 2 - Raven Boy

YEAR 3 - Odd and the Frost Giants

YEAR 4 - The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe

YEAR 5 - The Jamie Drake Equation

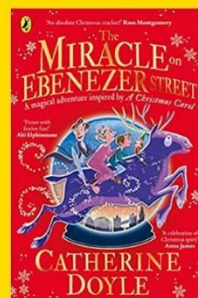
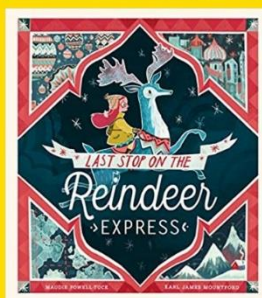
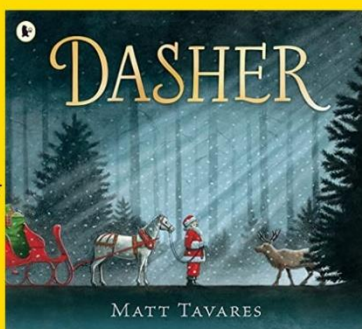
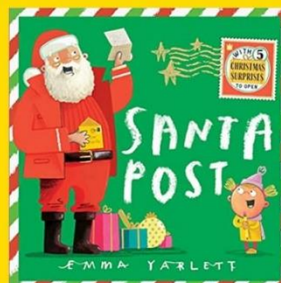
YEAR 6 - The Girl of Ink and Stars



8 Perfect Christmas Reads

The previous pages have summed up the newbies, but let's not forget the Christmassy books that have kept us warm on previous Christmases!

1. How Winston Delivered Christmas
Alex T. Smith
2. Tinsel
Sibéal Pounder
3. Santa Post
Emma Yarlett
4. Dasher
Matt Tavares
5. The Night Before The Night Before Christmas
Kes Gray & Claire Powell
6. Last Stop on the Reindeer Express
Maudie Powell-Tuck & Karl James Mountford
7. A Boy Called Christmas
Matt Haig & Chris Mould
8. The Miracle on Ebenezer Street
Catherine Doyle



We Need Volunteers!

If anyone has a spare hour - we would love to welcome you into school to listen to readers. Please contact Mrs Marusiak if you're interested in becoming a reading volunteer.



Author Visit

The author Gareth P Jones will be visiting school on Wednesday 11th March. This is set to be a fun session for all ages. Check out his books if you're looking for any last minute Christmas gifts!

Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are.

Mason Cooley

"READING IS TO THE MIND WHAT EXERCISE IS TO THE BODY"

— RICHARD STEELE

