



# Lansdowne Primary School

## Reading Newsletter

Welcome to our reading newsletter, where we will be celebrating reading at Lansdowne Primary School! Here we will be sharing updates about how we are promoting reading in school, as well as offering book recommendations and promoting reading opportunities and events. Children, staff and parents are all invited to recommend things they have read (books, poems or graphic novels) and think that others in our school community would enjoy. Please email any book reviews and suggestions to Miss Devitt via the office.



### Free Books!

Have you heard about Kent Library's fantastic Libby app?

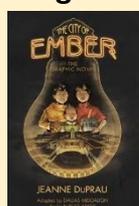
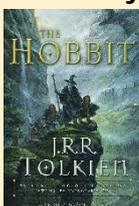
Libby is a free app from Kent Libraries. It allows library members to borrow and download books onto a smart phone or device for 21 days.

You can sign your family up online. It is quick and easy, and you will have access to thousands of books!!

### Why not try...

Graphic novels are a mixture of text and rich images. Many are based on popular books or films. They are an entertaining and easier way to engage with a story.

Here are a few you might like to try:



After a wonderful summer, not everyone is excited about going back to school as this funny poem by Colin Naughton demonstrates.

*I don't want to get in to school today,  
Mum.*

*I don't feel like school work today.  
Oh, don't make me go in to school  
today, Mum.*

*Oh, pleeeeeease let me stay home and  
play.*

*But you must go to school my cherub,  
my lamb.*

*If you don't, it will be a disaster.  
How would they manage without you,  
my sweet?*

*After all, you are the headmaster!!*

### Events:

13<sup>th</sup> September: Roald Dahl Day

Whilst we are not celebrating this in school this year, why not celebrate by sharing one of your favourite Roald Dahl books or poems at home?

6<sup>th</sup> October: National Poetry Day

We will be celebrating in school, but why not also enjoy poetry at home?

Check out Michael Rosen's poem *Chocolate Cake* here:



# Recommendations:



There is trouble after hours in the supermarket. Someone is wreaking havoc and terrorising the other vegetables. What is needed is a superhero to save the day...

A funny and entertaining book with bright and bold illustrations that young children will love.

Suitable for KS1 and EYFS

[Scan me for an online version](#)



A story about friendship between two unlikely characters- one of whom has an unpleasant habit of eating their own poo!

Suitable for KS1 and LKS2

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'I Hero' books are a great way for children to engage with reading. In each book the reader assumes the role of the main character and gets to make decisions which influence the direction the story takes. Can you make the right choices to enable the hero to successfully complete their mission, or will you have to go back to the beginning and try again?

With titles including Viking warriors, Greek heroes, pirates, magicians, alien invaders, magical unicorns and warrior princesses, this series has something to offer everyone.

Suitable for LKS2 and UKS2.

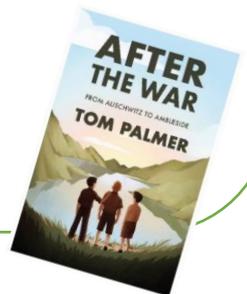


The Second World War is finally over and Yossi, Leo and Mordecai are among a group of children who, after having survived the Holocaust, arrive in the English Lake District.

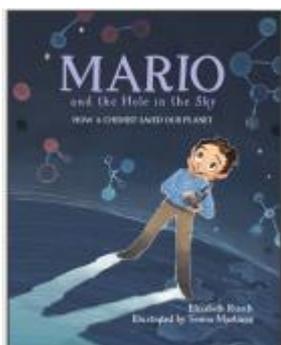
They've finally reached a place of safety and peace. Will life by the beautiful Lake Windermere be enough to bring hope back into all their lives?

Sensitively written, this book explores a difficult part of history from a child's perspective.

Suitable for UKS2 (Year 6)



## Teacher's Pick:



### **Mario and the Hole in the Sky: How a Chemist Saved Our Planet by Elizabeth Rusch.**

This is a wonderful book which begins with Mario's childhood and how he became interested in science. It highlights his family's support of his interests, and then follows his journey into higher education eventually earning his PhD.

Mario Molina helped solve the ozone crisis of the 1980s. As a young child, Mario studied everything he could about the world, and when he was a little older, he discovered the harm that chlorofluorocarbons were causing our planet. His quick action and education of this issue has helped save our ozone.

Suitable for UKS2 (Year 5 and 6)