



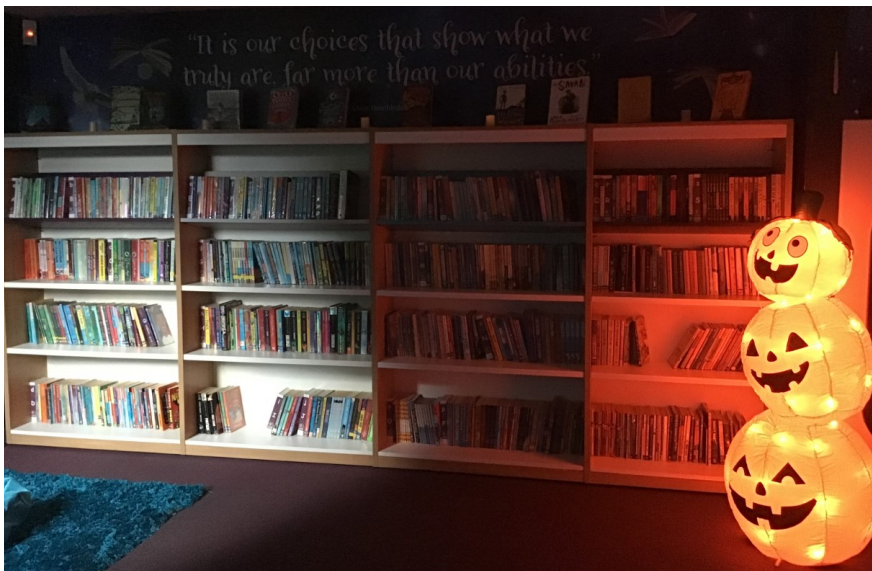
Rucstall
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spooktacular
reading here at
Rucstall Primary
School





Welcome to our first reading newsletter of the new academic year! I hope you all had a lovely summer break and managed to rest and relax (with a good book!) We have lots planned in terms of reading for pleasure this year and I know that my new 'Librarians' are excited to help raise the profile of reading here in school. We hope that you enjoy this spooky Halloween edition of our reading newsletter. Happy reading!



The Magic KS2 Library has turned rather eerie recently. If you can brave the cobwebs and spiders then be sure to look out for some fantastic scary stories.

General notices

For children in Ash Class, they are now moving to different groups for phonics based on their assessed level. Please look out for the phonics guide which will be emailed out shortly.

Children in Fir Class will continue phonics as normal.

For those children who have mastered their phonics in Hazel Class, they will be moving to whole class reading with their class teacher this half term. For Year 2 children, the process of going from a RWI Phonics book to a 'Free Reader' is a huge jump. Please still listen to your child read out loud and let us know if their book is too challenging. For some children, we will still be sending home a Grey Book to read alongside having a library book read to them by an adult at home.

For children in KS2, please continue to support with the reading at home. We have spent a significant amount of money on high quality books and we would like to see more children reading these!



Author Visits

Many of the children have enjoyed author talks last half term.



Year 5 enjoyed meeting Emma Carroll. It was particularly exciting because Year 5 read *Secrets of a Sun King* as part of their English work!

We also have in our library the following books by Emma Carroll:

- Letters from the Lighthouse
- Escape to the River Sea
- A Night at the Frost Fair
- The Ghost Garden
- Sky Chasers

Year 6 enjoyed meeting Ross Welford. We have many of his books in school including:

- Into the Sideways World
- When we got LOST in Dreamland
- The Kid who came from Space
- The 1000 year old boy
- What not to do if you turn invisible
- Time Travelling with a Hamster



Year 3 are still talking about their author session with the amazing Pamela Butchart. Not only did she read some extracts from her books, she also shared some strategies for how to write creative stories. The children have put this to great use in their English writing!

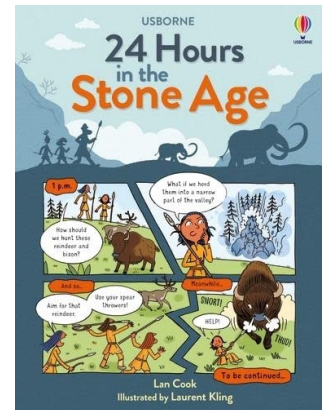
We have over 20 books in our library by this author so it was great to hear all about her work!



Notices

BLUE PETER BOOK AWARDS 2022 SHORLIST

Join a young girl as she goes hunting, makes her own stone tools and creates amazing cave art. Learn all about the dangers of life in the Stone Age, what makes a good shelter and what edible plants can be gathered in the wild. Eye-catching illustrations bring this comic strip to life, as you visit the Stone Age for a day. Suitable for ages 7-10 and perfect if you've enjoyed learning about the Stone Age in Year 3!



BLUE PETER BOOK AWARDS 2022 WINNER

In this brilliant book you will meet the animal inventors who have shared their super inventing powers to make amazing things for humans! Meet the shark who invented a pair of swimming shorts so fast, they were banned from the Olympic games. And meet the snail who has invented a house that stays cool inside, even in the desert...



This month we have been celebrating Black History Month in school, finding out more about inspirational black individuals. Here are some books that you may wish to look out for from black authors and illustrators:

