



Classic Texts

To support your child to become an even better reader, they are coming home with a reading journal and a classic text to read for homework throughout the year.

Reading classic novels improves your child's overall vocabulary and writing skills and will help to provide the reading experiences needed to be a successful reader within Phase 3. This approach also prepares our children for their transition to Secondary school; when they will study literature.

The process also provides an opportunity to read enriching text choices, which they possibly would not choose for themselves and allows them to develop a deeper understanding of the language used, characterisation and dense sentence structures. It allows a whole year group to enjoy and discuss a text like one big book club!

Children who find Reading particularly challenging will be given audio books as an alternative so they can still access the texts.

We hope that your child will use the journal to write a short summary on the pages they have read alone or with an adult, along with any interesting vocabulary they find and wish to discuss in class as part of their homework.

To start the new term, Year Four will be reading 'Stig of the Dump', Year Five will be reading 'Friend or Foe' and Year Six will be reading 'Carries War'.

If you have any queries or would like to ask any further questions regarding the reading homework, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Sarah Lang

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