



Birch Class Y6 - Miss Egan: **The House with Chicken Legs by Sophie Anderson**

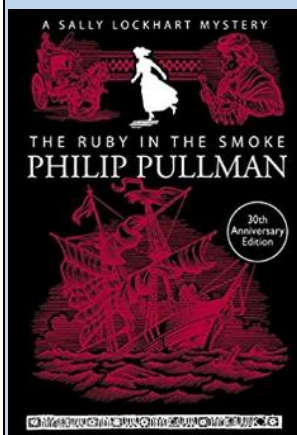
This is an enchanting story based on the East European folklore character of Baba Yaga, but not as the terrible witch-like creature you may have heard of before.

Marinka and Baba travel the world in their Yaga house, which has an unpredictable personality of its own choosing at any moment to get up and move to another place using its huge chicken legs! Although the author has used many of elements from the traditional stories, she has certainly created a unique world whereby themes of friendship, life and death as well as finding your own place in the world are explored.



I would heartily recommend this unique book to confident readers from Year 4 up to Y6.

Sycamore Class Y6 – Mr Buckley: **The Ruby in the Smoke by Philip Pullman**



This is the first book in Philip Pullman's classic SALLY LOCKHART quartet.

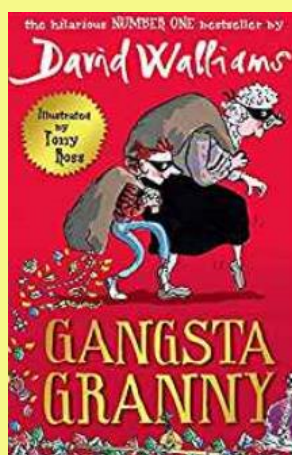
Soon after Sally Lockhart's father drowns at sea, she receives an anonymous letter. The dire warning it contains makes a man die of fear at her feet. Determined to discover the truth about her father's death, Sally is plunged into a terrifying mystery in the dark heart of Victorian London, at the centre of which lies a deadly blood-soaked jewel.

This book, set in Victorian London, would provide a challenging read full of twists and turns for year 6 children but does contain some themes that may be inappropriate for some readers.

Maple Class Y5 – Mrs Galinsky: **Gangsta Granny by David Walliams**

Ben's Granny isn't all that different to many other grannies - she has white hair, false teeth and tucks tissues up her sleeve. She does have a few for cabbage and a small detail about her unique quirks though. There's her fondness past...

David Walliams creates a magically fantastic story that can be read a million by Tony Ross.



believable world in Gangsta Granny. A times – and more, with stunning illustrations

Every Friday night, twelve year old Ben house for the night, whilst his dance-Stars Live On Stage". One night though, Scrabble after tea any longer and he What he doesn't know though is that his grumble he makes about her. After that she is an international jewel thief. a thief, and soon Ben is mixed up in her crazy world.

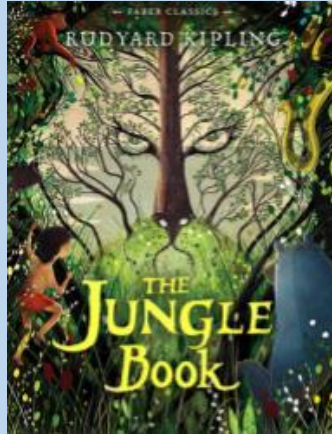
is dumped at his tediously dull grandmother's mad parents go on a night out to see "Strictly Ben just can't stand the cabbage soup and creeps downstairs to phone his parents. grandmother is listening to every whine and this, Granny forms a plan to make Ben think She tells him all sorts of stories about being

Though the end of the book is quite sad, it's lovely to read how Ben and his Granny develop their relationship.

A great read for children 10+ - 100+!! Star rating: *****

Larch Class Y5 – Mrs Mir: The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling

Rudyard Kipling tells the story of little village boy called Mowgli, who falls into the hands of a pack of wolves who raise him as their own in begins to understand the 'Law of the jungle' alongside the other jungle Baloo the bear, Bagheera the Black villainous characters in children's aggression between him and the tiger parents.



the Indian jungle. As he grows older he animals around him. These include Panther and one of the most popular stories Shere Khan. The story tells of the Shere Khan, who killed Mowgli's

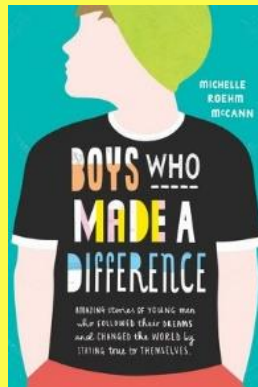
The book very cleverly draws you in and the creatures that live in it. When reminds you of the monkeys swinging use of animals to portray human the animals come to life. I would likes to explore their imagination and loves adventure stories.

through the descriptions of the jungle Mowgli swings from the vines it to freedom. I thoroughly enjoyed the qualities and the mythical jungle where recommend this book to anyone who

Mrs Carlisle – 'Boys who made a difference' by Michelle McCann

This is a collection of narratives/mini had an impact on the world. It is a 'dip in and but it may inspire boys who want to achieve history such as Nelson Mandela and Mozart Groening who wrote the Simpsons and world right now such as John Collinson who summits.

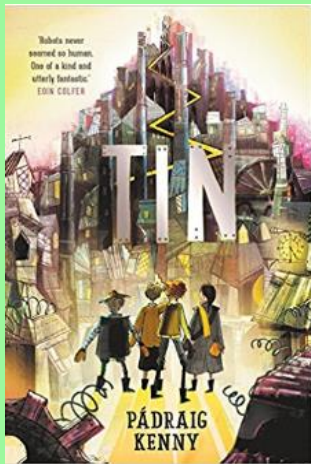
I gave this to my 10 year old nephew for



biographies of teenagers and men, who have out of' book and each section is quite short and change the world. There are men from but also men who are alive today such as Matt profiles of teenagers who are changing the is the youngest person to climb the seven

Christmas and he loved it.

Hazel Class Y4 – Mrs Waddington: Tin by Pádraig Kenny

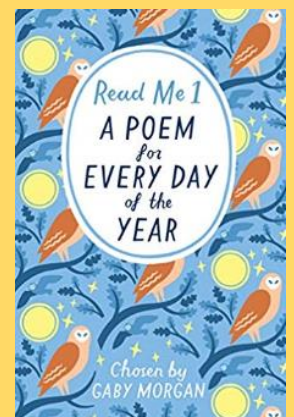


Christopher is 'Proper': a real boy with a real soul, orphaned in a fire. He works for an engineer, a maker of eccentric, mechanicals who are Christopher's best friends. After a devastating accident, a secret is revealed and Christopher's world is changed for ever. What follows is an unbelievable adventure, as Christopher discovers who he really is, and what it means to be human. The pace of the story is perfect and there are plenty of twists and turns in the adventure. I was completely engrossed in the story and could NOT put the book down towards the end. This book is about friendship and trust.

Filled with challenging vocabulary I would highly recommend this book for confident readers in Year 4 and upwards!

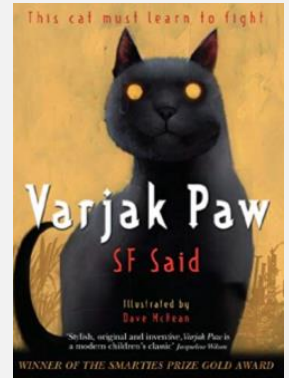
Chestnut Class Y4 – Miss Sykes: A Poem for Every Day of the Year chosen by Gaby Morgan

This book contains a wide variety of poems penned by authors such as A. A. Milne (of Winnie-The-Pooh fame,) Emily Dickinson and Ian McMillan. I love the concept of having a small, bite-sized chunk of poetry each day – it means I always make time for it! From animals to astronauts or birthdays to Batman, there's always something new to explore over the course of a year. This fantastic book would be appropriate for Year 4 and above.



Rowan Class Y3 – Mr Bright: Varjak Paw by SF Said

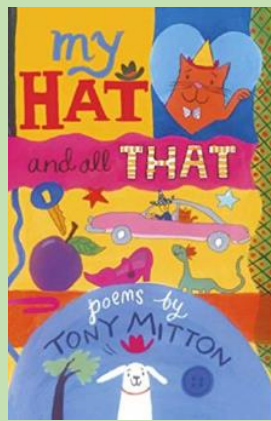
This book is about a cat named Varjak Paw who lives as a Mesopotamian Blue with the rest of his huge family in the Contessa's house on the top of the hill. Varjak is and always has been the outcast of his family, due to his amber eyes, which stand out from the family's green eyes. As a result, he has never left the house; he has always stayed with his family inside. This all changes, however, when a gentleman turns up with his two mysterious black cats: trouble awaits. The elder paw tells him to go out into the wild city and find a dog.



Before Varjak leaves, the elder paw tells him to remember 'the way'. This is an ancient martial art for cats, which includes three moves: moving circles, shadow walking and slow time. He then sets out into the world, with two street cats called Holly and Tam, an ancient cat called Jalal in his dreams and a big adventure ahead of him. I loved this book because it is full of adventure, action and mystery and is perfect for anyone who likes fiction told from an animal's point of view!

Oak Class Y3 – Miss Burnham : My Hat and all That by Tony Mitton.

I love this poetry book, it's filled and the listener. A great book to perform some of the poems to much as I have.

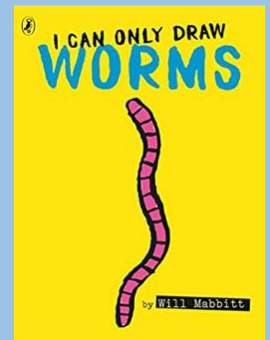


with witty rhymes to be enjoyed by the reader dip in and out of and have fun with. You can even your family and friends. I hope you enjoy it as

Poplar Class Y2 Miss Harrison: I Can Only Draw Worms by Will Mabbitt

Have you ever been worried about not being able to draw? Well I certainly have!

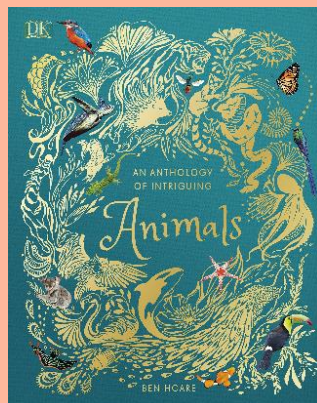
This remarkably funny book shows that even the simplest of drawings can be transformed in to a hilarious story that will leave children and adults of all ages giggling! Find out about the journeys (including a trip to space on a unicorn) that the many worms embark upon despite the story-teller only being able to draw worms.



An inspiring journey showing that you don't have to be an artist to have your drawings and ideas published in a book. Believe and you can achieve!

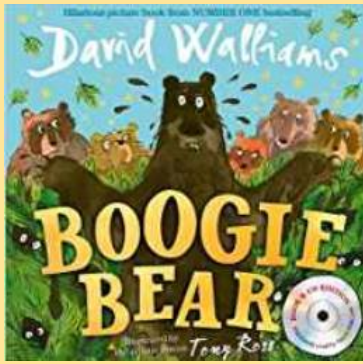
Willow Class Y2 – Mr Brakefield: An Anthology of Intriguing Animals by Ben Hoare

An incredible journey through the of Intriguing Animals is a stunning packed full of amazing facts and From the darkest depths of the ocean will discover something new on every sandragons, variable neon slugs and brought to life in a series of microscopic photographs. Some of be true, but with such intriguing This is a book you will return to again your newfound knowledge with all and explore!



wondrous world of wildlife! An Anthology book from the very front cover, and is jam fascinating stories about over 100 creatures. to the sweltering heat of the rainforest, you page. The Javan slow loris, leafy the fiercely-named gila monster, are all wonderfully detailed illustrations and what you read will seem too fantastical to animals, the truth is stranger than fiction. and again, and you'll be bursting to share your friends and family. It's time to delve in

Elm Class Year 1 – Miss Heron: Boogie Bear by David Walliams

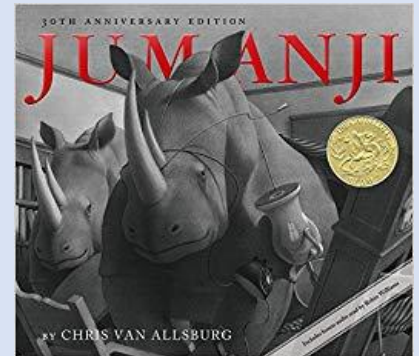


Up in the North Pole is a big, furry polar bear who enjoys eating, swimming and sleeping like any other bear. Until one day, when she wakes up in a strange new place with strange new bears.

This is a fantastic story about meeting new people and leaves us thinking about how we treat those different to us. The story and illustrations are funny and engaging and I would recommend this for KS1 children.

Beech Class Y1 – Mrs Hunt Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg

This picture book is full of incredible drawings and it will entertain all ages for this reason. The story is an unusual tale about two curious children who find a magical board game and begin to play it. They find it is unlike anything else they have played as it comes to life and causes all sorts of mayhem. It is both amusing and tense to read as the two try to survive the dangers it throws at them and finish the game!

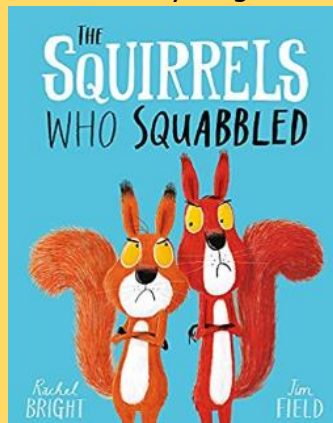


Pear Class Reception - Miss Pearson The Squirrels who Squabbled by Rachel Bright

Two greedy squirrels learn to share, in this hilarious rhyming adventure from the bestselling creators of The Lion Inside.

Greedy squirrels Cyril and Bruce both prize: THE VERY LAST NUT OF THE forest, the squirrels race boulders, down the river and - ARGH! - Working together might be the only way

A laugh-out-loud tale about friendship text that reads aloud superbly, it is the focus of rhyming in Reception.



have their sights on a very special SEASON! As the nut bounces crazily after it, between the trees, over right to the edge of a waterfall! to save themselves now ...

and sharing. Told in catching rhyming perfect book to match our current

How many rhyming couplets can you find?

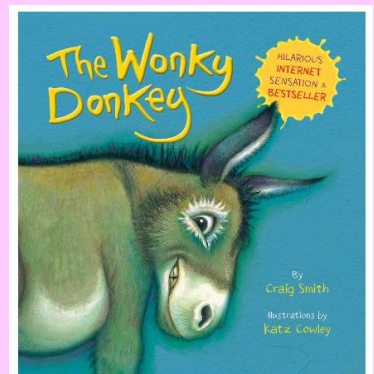
Cherry Class Reception – Miss Revely The Wonky Donkey by Craig Smith

Want to read a book that will make you all giggly-wiggly? Want to get all tied up with rhyming tongue twisters? Then this is the book for you!

'I was walking down the road and I saw a donkey. Hee haw! And he only had three legs! He was a wonky donkey.'

So begins this hilarious, catchy picture book about a crazy donkey. Not only is he wonky, but a new description is added on each page until we end up with a: wonky, winky, honky-tonky, lanky, stinky-dinky, cranky, hanky-panky, spunky donkey!

Brilliant for working on building memory skills and rhythm and rhyme, this funny picture book will be enjoyed by readers of all ages. There is even a CD so that everyone can sing along! Enjoy!



Apple Class - Nursery - Miss Franks We're All Wonders by R J Palacio

This the unforgettable story of August Pullman, an ordinary boy with an extraordinary face. *Wonder* is a true modern classic. A life-changing read, and has inspired kindness and acceptance in countless readers. Now younger readers can discover the Wonder message with this gorgeous picture book, starring Auggie and his dog Daisy on an original adventure, written and illustrated by R.J. Palacio.



'We're All Wonders' taps into every child's longing to belong, and to be seen for who they truly are. It is the perfect way for families and teachers to talk about empathy, difference and kindness with young children.

A powerful text and richly-imagined illustrations, 'We're All Wonders' shows readers what it's like to live in Auggie's world - a world in which he feels like any other kid, but he's not always seen that way.

'We're All Wonders' is rich in vocabulary giving younger children the perfect opportunity to explore new words and their meaning.