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# MARUS BRIDGE'S READING NEWSLETTER

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### <u>GOOD LUCK AND THANK YOU TO OUR YEAR 6 CHILDREN!</u>

This Year 6 cohort will always hold a very special place in my heart. I wish them every success in their next step of education and beyond. I would like to say a very special THANK YOU to our wonderful Reading Ambassadors who have done an amazing job this year. They were the first to take on this role in school, and they have made me unbelievably proud, showing enormous bravery and maturity. They have adopted an active role in promoting a love of reading across school and played a vital role in supporting themed days such as World Book Day and National Storytelling week.

Last Day of Primary School

Your primary school journey is ending And what a journey its been Full of laughter and learning Even a few months of quarantime

Friends you will remember for a life time Teachers who taught all that you know There is nothing quite like your primary school days And the school family who helped make you grow

As you say goodbye to your primary school All the manories will stay in your heart Although this part of your journey is ending The next one is bursting to start



Transition from primary to secondary school is a big step, with new challenges and exciting opportunities. With changes approaching, children may be experiencing a mixture of emotions, whether nervous, excited, or confused. Reading, and finding a book, character or circumstance that they connect with, can help children to manage and understand their feelings about making the transition between schools, or coping with other big changes in their lives.

Here are some book titles that could be useful:



## **READING RAFFLE WINNERS!**

Well done to our reading superstars!

In Early Years and Key Stage 1, our winners were: Amelia, Maggie, Oscar, Etta, Toby and Scarlett.

In Key Stage 2, our winners were: Lennon, Marlie, Oliver, Emma, Roman, Lydia and Sophie.

Reading raffle tickets are awarded for a child reading at home 4 times per week. They are also rewarded in class by recognition and moving up class reward systems.

If parents require any support with home reading, please get in touch with your child's class teacher.



#### A SUPERHERO FRENZIE IN YEAR 3...

I have been thrilled to have had a couple of visitors from Year 3 this term. They came to showcase books they have written and illustrated in their own time, and they are AMAZING! Irvin and Henry have started a trend across Year 3 to inspire class peers to become authors too! My class had the delight of listening to a sample of their Superhero collection, and absolutely loved it. Their bravery to share their personal work was admirable, and created a wonderful excitement in our Early Years children to write and create their own books too! Thank you!



#### **READING STARS...**

In EY and KS1, we have been working hard to read and write common exception words. Here is a selection of our amazing children who have worked their socks off to learn reading and spelling common exception words. I know your teachers are unbelievably proud of you, well done!



#### WELCOME TO OUR NEW READING AMBASSADORS...

A warm welcome to our new Reading Ambassadors Liv, Darcy, Olivia, Neve, Scarlett, Dylan, Haydn, Laycie, Sophie, and Daisy. They made an exceptional application for the position and are eager to get started in promoting a love of reading across school. They have big shoes to fill, but I have no doubt they will make me proud. Sending them a huge congratulations on being selected.



**YEAR 1'S FUN PHONIC ALIEN DAY:** In preparation for the Year 1 Phonic Screening, our wonderful Year 1 teachers put on an exciting reading event for the children. They dressed as aliens to hunt the school to find and read 'alien' words. There was a brilliant buzz about reading and the children loved it! Well done to Year 1 for doing so well with their reading this year.



## AN ADVENTURE TO STORYLAND...

Over the year, our Early Years have dived into magical adventures known as 'Storyland' to meet characters from our core texts. When asking the children about their favourite memories from their year in Reception, so many of them recalled times of character visits and exciting experiences from their reading lessons. Here are a few captured moments...



**NEW STARTERS:** You may know of a little one who is due to start school, whether at Marus Bridge or another primary school. Below are a range of books that could help with their transition.





## ON REFLECTION....

Promoting a love for reading continues to be a priority at Marus Bridge. Teachers teach reading with passion and enthusiasm, and provide engaging, immersive, and memorable experiences for our children. The implementation of our Reading Ambassadors has run successfully this year and seeing them in action has brought me so much joy. I look forward to continue in sharing reading celebrations in our next academic year!

#### HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER BREAK!

Mrs Holden & The Reading Ambassadors

