

Welcome to the December library newsletter.

Our aim is that the children at Springfield develop a real enthusiasm and love for books, so that they can become confident, independent readers and develop a lifelong love for reading.

This newsletter provides a brief outline of reading events within the school over the autumn term. In the Spring term, we will be adding lots of new titles using our £544 commission from the November book fair along with the kind donations of books from some of our school families. Thank you so much for your support with helping to add new stock our library. It is a very useful and popular resource for our pupils. Since September, **3360** books have been taken out of the library system.

I hope you find this newsletter and the links included useful. Happy holidays and happy reading time! Mrs Hardy

A huge **THANK YOU!** to our Junior Librarians (Group 1). 22 children across years 3-5 enjoyed two training sessions where they practiced some of the tasks involved in looking after our school library. They are doing a **FANTASTIC** job of helping to keep it tidy. Please help them with this. When you use the library:

- *place books back on the correct shelves
- *make sure the spine is facing outwards
- *when taking a book out – ask the teacher or a Junior Librarian to take it off the system using your borrowing number
- *put it to the box back in class to be returned (don't just return it to the library)

At the end of the autumn term, we will be checking word counts for everyone across the school to see if we have any new members to join the **Springfield Millionaire Club**. To be part of the club, the children need to read 1 million words or hit the next million. We can't wait to award some certificates and prizes. Word counts will be checked at the end of each full term (Autumn, Spring and Summer).



Here are the prizes:

- 1 million words: a gold pin badge
- 2 million words: a leather Springfield bookmark
- 3 million words: a Springfield pencil
- 4 million words: a new book
- 5 million words: a special Springfield Junior millionaire t shirt

Mia, our library volunteer who supports Year 3, worked with some of the Junior Librarians to create this wonderful Christmas inspired display. Keep an eye for other displays throughout the year.



During the first part of autumn term, the Springfield Book Club read the story The Last Bear and created this wonderful collage which is displayed in the library. Many of the group have also read the sequel Finding Bear, which is equally as wonderful!

Here is a list of the Top 5 titles that were borrowed during the autumn term.

Boys	Girls
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minecraft Guide Book 2. Diary of A Wimpy Kid, The Last Straw 3. Over 1000 Fantastic Science Facts 4. Salah (footballer) 5. 117-Storey Treehouse 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Spells-A-Popping Granny's Shopping 2. Coming to England: An Inspiring True Story 8 Celebrating the Windrush 3. Somebody Swallowed Stanley 4. The Brilliant World of Tom Gates 5. Harriet Tubman: Volume 14 (Little People Big Dreams)



With Christmas around the corner, you may be thinking of giving a book as a gift. Follow this link for some recommended books from 2023.
<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/great-books-guide/>
 The attached flyer has a QR code that provides a link to further information on the website about helping your child with their reading journey.

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