



# 'The Redwood Readers'



Tudor Primary's regular newsletter about all things reading related!

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**10:** This week we have been looking at rhyme. The children have really enjoyed analysing and pulling apart poems. It's great to change up reading, and, swap the text type to help keep children engaged! We also had a class reader each day this week to promote and nourish a love for reading out loud.

A special mention to; **Archie, Emma, Ezra, Milo and Edie** for getting their bronze reading stars this week! I wonder who will be next?

**A little task for home:** Where is the most unusual place you read your book? Can you bring in a photo for our reading corner?



**1P:** This fortnight, we've been finishing off Hansel and Gretel and getting to know more about the Percy the Park Keeper stories. We're loving 'After the storm.'

The bronze stars are starting to shine in 1P. Over a third of the class have their bronze star! Amazing! Well done to these children who all have this shining treasure now: **Leon, Layla, Alyssa, Luxmiha, Lucy, Nylah-Rai, Violet, Anthony, Dominik (not pictured), Darcie (not pictured) and Aine (not pictured).**

**Top Tip:** Why not take turns reading? They could read a page and then you read a page. This way it keeps anxiety levels down and you model good reading (e.g. how to make your voice sound interesting for the reader.)



**2Q:** More fantastic reading has taken place in 2Q- mainly about The Great Fire of London! **Remember to record the reading you do with your children in their reading record.** If they are struggling with a word here are some top tips:

- Cover up the surrounding words (fingers do this well) to focus on the letters
- Break up the word into smaller chunks (especially if it is a longer word)
- See if they can see a smaller word inside it- sometimes taking of the ending helps.
- If it doesn't sound right, does it remind them of a word they know?

See below for the NEW YEAR 2 EXTREME READING CHALLENGE!



A current favourite of ours!

**2R:** The standard of reading has continued to develop in 2R since the last newsletter and it is fantastic to see the children really engaged in reading, whether it is linked to our topic or their own interests. We understand reading at home can be tricky at times but here are a few **Tudor Top Tips** to encourage your child to read at home;

- Set aside a place and time for your child to read with you or a sibling
- Sign up to and visit your local public library. Their choices and genres of books are endless and it can be a great family trip out
- Ask your child to talk about the book they are reading. What is the story about? Why did that happen? Would you recommend the book to a friend?

Finally, we are challenging all Year 2 children to take part in some **EXTREME** reading. Do you fancy your chances of being able to read in a tree? Upside down? Maybe in the pool during a swimming lesson? Send us in your pictures of you being extreme while reading. You never know, even Mr Wilkie and Miss Cosby may take part too...



Remember... if you want to be a TRUE 'Redwood Reader', you need to read as much as you can. Don't forget to try the 'Extreme Reading' challenge- good luck!