

## Seaford Primary school

## Reading Newsletter

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Welcome to our first bi-termly reading newsletter for this school year.

This year has started off with lots of children enjoying the books in their new year groups. There is a buzz around the school with children talking about their reading, recommending books to each other.



Bookworms Ela and Connie in year 6 decided to do a cake sale before the end of term in July and raised £75, which they spent on a book token and donated this to the school. They researched newly published books when they started year 6 and decided on one book per year group and presented these in a reading assembly. We're very lucky to have such enthusiastic and entrepreneurial children at out school. Thank you Ela and Connie!

Our second hand bookshop is making a tour around the year groups this term. It's packed full with lots of books, partly donated and partly withdrawn from the school library. Chapter books are £1 and picture books are 50p. Thank you to everybody who has brought in some money to spend on books this term. Keep a look out for the bookshop during parents evening next term as it will open to everybody waiting to see their child's teacher.



The money we make from the bookshop goes towards new books for the school and Mrs McMullen took the opportunity to spend some of it in September. She visited Mid Sussex Book Club in Haywards Heath, which is a book warehouse that is open to the public a few times per year. There are books for all ages and interests and the books are sold at a whooping 70% discount. If anyone is interested, the next open day is on Saturday the 30th November 9:00—17:00 and the address is 18 Bridge Road, Haywards Heath, RH161UA. Be prepared to queue up for a little while as it gets rather busy. This is what came back to Seaford Primary:





A Kind of Spark is a heart-warming and lovable story and is the first book in a series of two. The main character is called Addie, she's autistic and whilst in class she finds out about 'witches' that used to be punished in her town. She knows they weren't real witches, they were just people who were different. She makes a new best friend: Audrey, and living with her two older twin sisters, who she knows are complete opposites, their house can be quite hectic! I found it was a really good read! 5 stars.

By Ela, year 6



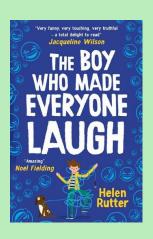
I would recommend Future Friend by David Baddiel to people who like David Walliams books because it has the same feeling. If you like time travel, this is perfect for you!

Estelle, year 5

I like Dork Diaries because it's written in first person which makes me really understand what happens. It has teenage drama because you never know if they solve the problem. I think any gender should read it and anyone aged 8–9 or above.



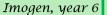
Penny, year 4

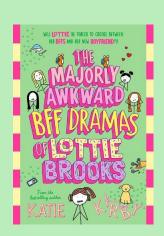


The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh is an amazing book. It's about a boy called Billy Plimpton who has a stutter. He has to move to year 7 and is finding it hard to settle in. He worries that his stutter will ruin his dream of being a stand up comedian. This book is full of emotion and really shows what it's like to feel different. After his grandma (who he calls granny bread) has a stroke he knows that he has to do whatever he can to keep his promise to her, of going up on stage. But in a failed attempt to erase his stammer Billy decides to switch his dream to drumming. This book is amazing and I recommend it for people around the age of 9, 10 or 11. Also I recommend it for people who feel different sometimes.

Robyn, year 6

This exciting book is about a teenage girl called Lottie Brooks who would really like to get a dog One day she was eating dinner and then she and her irritating brother, Toby asked her parents for a dog. Her dad thought it was a reasonable idea but her mum disapproved of it. Their dad announced the next day that Lottie and Toby would be dog walking 5 dogs from down the road for training. If they came back with all five dogs [alive and happy] then they would get a dog. At the park, Lottie and Toby started walking until Toby went into the park and played with his friends. All of a sudden, things took a turn and the dog went missing. Luckily her best friend Jess appeared and helped Lottie find it. In the end the dog turned up in the café with Lottie's dad. Her dad then thought Lottie was not responsible for a dog but dad shouldn't have got a coffee so they made a deal, if they have a dog they wouldn't tell mum about dad's secret coffee. In the end they get a dog but Lottie has some Bff dramas that need to be sorted.





## Books at Breakfast

Thank you to everyone who came to our Books at Breakfast session on Tuesday 22nd October. It was great to see so many people enjoying a good read before school. A huge thank you to our PTA who served tea and coffee.

