



# Seaford Primary school Reading Newsletter

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Welcome to the fifth Seaford Primary Reading Newsletter this year. We've had a great reading term with lots of new books arriving in both classrooms and libraries.



Do you remember the Reading Challenge during Book Week last week? We made almost £1000 from sponsors and with the extra 60% that Usborne added, we've now got around £1500 worth of new books. All the children who took part in the challenge have had a chance to choose a book and their names have been added to the book they chose. They've also had first pick at reading that book before it goes into either the library or a classroom.

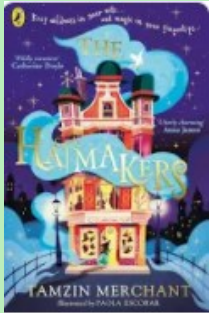


Here's a selection of the new books for KS1.



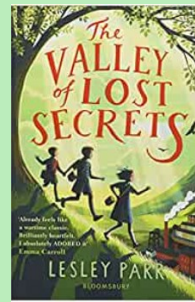
Here are some of the new books for KS 2. We've chosen some non-fiction books for year 6 to enjoy before heading to secondary school as well as lots of new Accelerated Reader books for the library. The graphic novels have quickly become favourites!

This year, 14 children from years 5 and 6 have taken part in the **East Sussex Children's Book Award** book club with me, Mrs McMullen. The children had two weeks to read each book and then we'd meet at lunchtime to talk about the book. We've had some fantastic discussions and I've been really impressed with how articulate all the children have been. We've voted on our favourite and are heading to the awards ceremony in Eastbourne in June to find out who the winning author is.



Cordelia comes from a magical family of *Hatmakers*. When her father disappears, everything changes. With her father missing, an important creation goes horribly wrong. We like this book because it has adventure on every page and surprised us with lots of plot twists. We hope you enjoy this book as much as we did.

Lily, Sophie and Isobel 6R



*The Valley of the Lost Secrets* is a lovely page turning war time book with hidden secrets and mysteries. It tells you to always give people a chance because you never know what they're going through and it tells you to be thankful for what you have. I loved it.

Sophia 5M



*The Way to Impossible Island* is about two children from different times that accidentally meet. They find themselves stranded on an island and combine their skills to escape a wild, untamed tribe and fight to get home. We would recommend this book to anyone who likes adventure and friendship.

Amber and Alanis 5M



We think that *Jaz Santos vs the World* is one of the best books we've ever read. All the different characters had different and amazing back stories and they are all unique. Our favourite part of the story was when the girls cooked pizzas for everybody to eat. Our favourite character was Steph because of her enthusiasm and expressive personality.

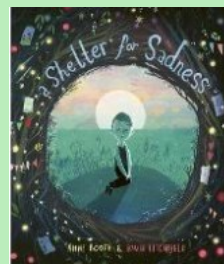
Noah and William 6R



*The Boy Who Met a Whale*

When a boy washes up on a beach with people chasing him, Razi and Shifa must save the boy. I really liked the book because it's a real page turner and it's really exciting.

Liam 5M



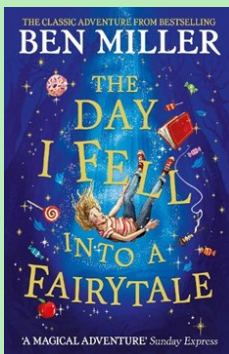
*A Shelter for Sadness* is an inspiring book about ways to think of sadness. The book describes it in different ways and that sadness isn't a bad thing. I would recommend this book to all ages.

Alanis 5M



*In March, years 5 and 6 had the pleasure to meet **Tamzin Merchant**, one of the authors from the East Sussex Children's Book Award's shortlisted book list. As Tamzin is also an actor, her talk was very interactive and inspiring. Her second book, **The Mapmakers**, was published earlier on this year.*

*Reading for pleasure has many non-literacy benefits and can **increase empathy, improve relationships with others, reduce the symptoms of depression and improve wellbeing throughout life**.*  
(The Reading Agency 2015)

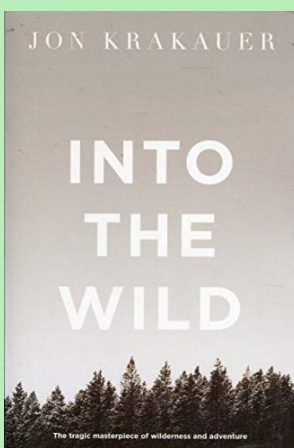


*This exquisite book is a phenomenal story all about Lana and her passion for reading fairy tales although when the fantasy land is in danger, Lana learns that not everything might end with a happy ever after...*

*By Heidi 5M*



*Our second hand bookshop will be in the playground every Thursday after school, weather permitting. All books cost £1 and the profit goes towards both Word Millionaire book tokens and new books. We currently have more books than we can fit in the trolley so please come along and support our little shop.*



*This term's recommended read for adults — **Into the Wild**, by Jon Krakauer.*

*A compelling, detail rich book following the true story of Chris McCandless, a young American lad who turned his back on his well to do family, society and normality as we know it to trek through Alaska and find himself. He survived for only four months.*

*Purposely ill prepared, inexperienced at survival and expecting no help from anyone he came in to contact with, this book follows some of the recounts from people he met along the way. Notes he had made discovered in books he took, postcards to friends he made during the arduous path he took and what was left of his remains tell a scrappy story which will break any parents' heart but also fascinate the reader as you slowly discover what drove Chris to give away \$24,000 dollars of savings and walk off in to the wilderness alone, never to return. **By Miss Jennings***