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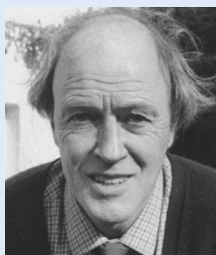
Welcome to our first Reading Newsletter of the new school year. We have had a fantastic start to our new school year and hope you enjoy reading all about what fantastic reading activities have occurred this half term.

We are so excited to hear all about what exciting reading activities you have completed, so please let us know. Tweet us on @MonksdownReads

Author review

Name: Roald Dahl
D.O.B: September 13, 1916, Cardiff

Job: Children's author, spy, ace fighter pilot, chocolate connoisseur and an inventor of medical equipment!



Roald Dahl is a very famous author who has written many children's books, enjoyed by children and adults all around the world.

Roald Dahl's most famous books have been turned into film including 'Matilda', 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', 'James and the giant peach' and 'The BFG'.

He died, aged 74 in 1990, but his legacy still lives on through the Roald Dahl Museum and Story Centre.

New Book Release Alert



Release Date:
10.11.2022

It's showtime in the supermarket as Supertato and The Veggies put on their very own production of Jack and the Beanstalk, starring The Evil Pea as Jack and Supertato as Jack's mum.

There are thrills, spills and the return of a familiar-looking melon-bot as this hilarious, panto-tastic show unfolds. Will Jack's beans bring him riches beyond his wildest dreams? Will Jack and Supermum be able to escape the fearsome giant?

All will be revealed...

First Chapter Friday

In Monksdown we are very passionate about reading. Each Friday, we read their first chapter or section of a book that the children have voted for over the day.

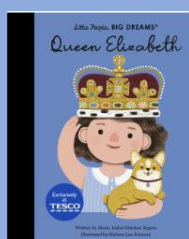
The children (and teachers) become really competitive to ensure the book they want to read wins.

After we have read the beginning of the book, it is placed in our reading area for the children to continue to reading at their leisure.



Recommended Read.

This half terms Recommended Read was a firm favourite in Year 1 this half term. It tells the story of the late Queen Elizabeth II. Taking us through her life, from growing up with Princess Margaret, moving into the palace when she became princess to her marriage to Prince Philip and her time as Queen. A lovely book to remember an extraordinary lady.



We love reading

Year 6 have had lots of fun this half term reading by torchlight. The children are constantly asking to read their books. Have you ever read by torchlight? If not grab a book and a torch and give it a go! Don't forget to tweet your thoughts!



Roald Dahl Workshops

On September 13th 2022, Key Stage 1 were very lucky to be able to celebrate Roald Dahl Day. This is an annual event that commemorates an amazing author and his achievements.

The children took part in workshops exploring different Roald Dahl stories and used their imaginations to explore characters and build settings from stories.

The children also enjoyed learning about Roald Dahl's life and then used their bodies to freeze frame significant events from his life – like when he was a pilot, writing in his shed and growing up in Wales with his family.



Reading Challenge Task

This half term we challenge you to read in the most unusual place you can find (in the shower, playing football, in the bin) and send us a photo of your new reading spot. Search unusual reading places for some inspiration.

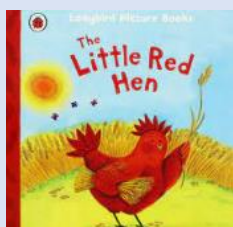


Each person who participates will receive 3 house points!

We would love to have as many pupils as possible take part. Simply upload your photograph onto our school Twitter page @MonksdownSchool @MonksdownReads using the hashtag #welovetoread

This half term we have been reading...

Nursery



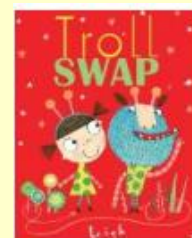
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Year 1



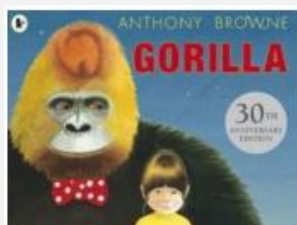
Year 2



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Year 6

