

## A GREAT BIG THANKYOU



Our St. John's families spent a whopping **£1453.21** at the bookfair.

This means our school gets to spend **£800**

### Our 2024 £1/€1.50 books



You can still use your World Book Day vouchers up until Friday 29th March.

You can either choose one of these books for free or get £1 off of any book over £2.99

**Reading for 10 minutes every day has a really big (and positive) impact on children.**

Did you know that 'reading to' your child is a great habit as well? Reading a story or chapter before bed is not only a lovely way to settle at the end of a busy day, but also increases vocabulary, improves reading comprehension and fosters an understanding of the world around them. It also can give your child access to stories or books that they may not yet be able to decode for themselves, but will still enjoy listening to.

## READING ADDS UP!

### WHAT A DIFFERENCE READING FOR 10 MINUTES A DAY MAKES...

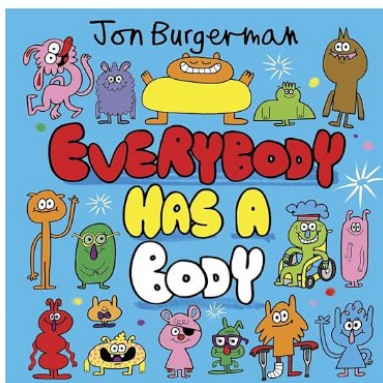
A student who reads for 10 minutes every day typically has a broader range of vocabulary and an increased level of spelling. Reading exposes children to new ideas, facts, and cultures, helping to expand their knowledge and understanding of the world around them. Not only does regular reading help make students smarter, it can actually increase brain power.

1 MINUTE A DAY	365 minutes in one year 2555 minutes by year 6 8000 words in one year!
10 MINUTES A DAY	3650 minutes in one year 25,550 minutes by year 6 80,000 words in one year!
20 MINUTES A DAY	7300 minutes in one year 51,100 minutes by year 6 1,800,000 words in one year!



## March's Recommended Reads:

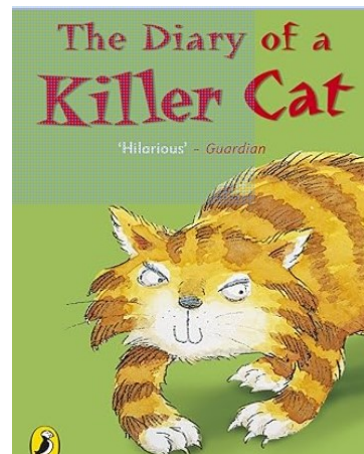
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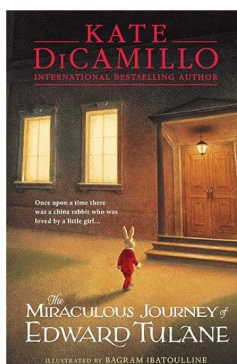
Everyone's body is different in some way-and that's OK! Whether your body is big, small, short or tall-Jon Burgerman shows us that it is something to celebrate and be proud of.

Year 1&2:

Poor Ellie is horrified when Tuffy drags a dead bird into the house. Then a mouse. But Tuffy can't understand what all the fuss is about. Who on earth will be the next victim to arrive through the cat-flap? Can soft-hearted Ellie manage to get her beloved pet to change his wild, wild ways before he ends up in even deeper trouble? The hilarious antics of Tuffy and his family as told by the killer cat himself.



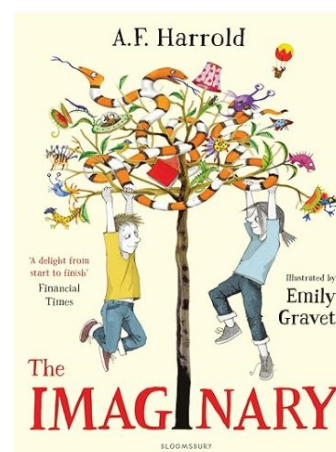
Year 3&4:



The magical story of the adventures of a lost toy rabbit from a New York Times bestselling author, twice winner of the Newbery Medal. Abilene loves her blue china rabbit, but Edward Tulane is extremely vain and only loves himself. On a voyage from New York to London, Edward falls overboard and from there finds himself on an amazing journey. He travels with tramps, works as a scarecrow, comforts a dying child ... and finally learns what it is to truly love.

Year 5&6:

Only Amanda can see her imaginary friend - until the sinister Mr Bunting arrives at Amanda's door. Mr Bunting hunts imaginaries. Rumour says that he eats them. And he's sniffed out Rudger. Soon Rudger is alone, and running for his imaginary life. But can a boy who isn't there survive without a friend to dream him up? A brilliantly funny, scary and moving read from the unique imagination of A.F. Harrold, this beautiful book is astoundingly illustrated with integrated art and colour spreads by the award-winning Emily Gravett.



## RAISING A READER: TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS TO FOSTER A LOVE OF READING

[Click here](#) to watch a free 45 minute online training session. We know from current research that children of all ages who read for pleasure perform better in all subjects. Reading for pleasure also builds empathy, improves wellbeing and has a dramatic impact on life outcomes. This session will explore practical tips on how to help your child to foster a love of reading. [Click here](#) to download the associated handout.