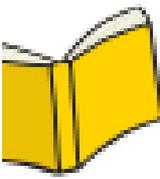
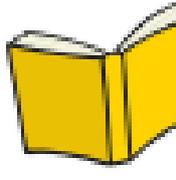


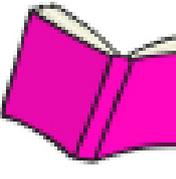
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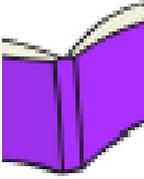
We will be having a **Book Festival Week** during the week of 13th-16th November 2017. It will be a great opportunity to really promote reading at school and at home.



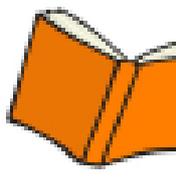
In school the children will have many opportunities to participate in some exciting reading events, such as visits from authors (James Campbell and Steve Anthony), story tellers, Drop Everything and Read for 10 minutes every day and swap-a-story sessions.



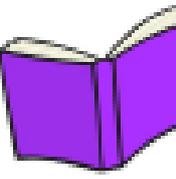
One event that we would like you to help us with is the BOOK SWAP. We ask that **each child brings in a book that is in a good condition** that he/she would like to swap for another book. Please give it to the class teacher by **Wednesday 15th November**. If any parents can offer to help run the stall on the day that would be wonderful. Please let Mrs Clifford know.



There will also be an opportunity to go to an "Author Show" and ask authors questions. This is a family event being held at Chantry Academy on Saturday 18th November. Tickets cost £2 per person. A flier and tickets will be available after half term.



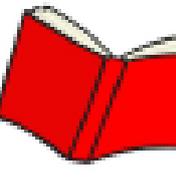
On Tuesday 14th November Waterstones will be selling books in the school hall after school. Please go with your child to view the books on offer. Some of the books on sale will be from the visiting authors, so the children could buy a book and get it signed by the author when they visit us in school.



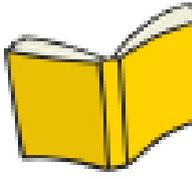
We are also launching our EXTREME READING challenge again for this year. This is where we encourage your child to read in 'strange but safe places' such as in a boat, or up a mountain, or in a cave. You may remember that last year's winner was reading underwater! Please take a photo of your child reading in an unusual place and we will make a display of all the photos in school. The winner will be announced in July and so you have plenty of time to find the best unusual place to read!



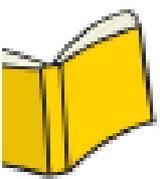
Each class have a weekly reading challenge. This is to encourage the children to complete their reading homework. The children should be reading daily at home. Each time you comment or sign your child's reading diary to say they have read at home, it will be noted by the class teacher and rewards will begin to mount up. Different classes have different rewards for the children. Ask your class teacher if you are not sure what your class is doing for their reading challenge.



We look forward to seeing the support you are giving your child in reading.



Thank you



Kay Clifford
English Lead

