



Nurture with love

Grow through knowledge and wisdom

Flourish in hope

Issue 4



In this issue, look out for a special message from CCH class author Berlie Doherty, the latest books for all ages, recommendations from Team CCH and some details about World Book Day 2022!

Meet CCH class author...

Berlie Doherty

who has sent a very special message just for us!



Hello Everyone!

I can't actually remember being taught to read. I think probably my big sister Jean taught me, and I could certainly read by the time I went to school. My dad used to take me to the library every week, and sometimes he would buy me a book on the way. It would be a Mary Mouse book, by Enid Blyton, and I loved them. This was before I was old enough to have a library ticket (you had to be nine!).

Libraries can be a bit confusing at first, as there are so many books to choose from. Where do you start? I was so lucky that Dad took me with him, because I got used to the library building – it was where we went on a Saturday. So I advise Mums and Dads and carers to make the library or bookshop visit part of the weekly routine. And there are always books in charity shops needing a good home to go to.

What's the best book you've ever read? Why do you love it? How did you choose it?

Here are some ideas for choosing books.

Be a book sleuth! You can follow an author, if you love their books. You can follow a series, if you know you love them. You can ask your friends about their favourite books. You can follow your interests. Any bookshop owner or librarian will be pleased to help you if you ask for a story about horses, families, schools, space, dolphins - there isn't a subject that hasn't been written about!

You can't be a writer if you don't read. Reading will fill your head with dreams, ideas, knowledge, people, places, pictures – you won't know what to do with them all! Write about them! And even if you don't want to be a writer, **if you love stories you'll always be a dreamer.**

Like me.

Berlie Doherty's favourite books...

When I was a child I loved a book called Emily Climbs -why? Because it was about a girl who wanted to be a writer! Just like me! I felt as if I was reading about myself. The author (L.M Montgomery,) used interesting, new, beautiful words – I used to write them down and try to use them in my own stories!

Here are some books that I love –

Tom's Midnight Garden, by Philippa Pearce.

The Firework Maker's Daughter, by Philip Pullman.

The Midnight Guardians by Ross Montgomery

The House with Chicken Legs by Sophie Andersen.



CCH class author, Berlie Doherty, will be joining Team CCH on World Book Day! Everyone will get the chance to meet her in a whole school virtual assembly. However, Berlie Doherty Class will have a prestigious session with their class author!



I'm thrilled that you
have a classroom named
after me in your school.
That's a great honour!

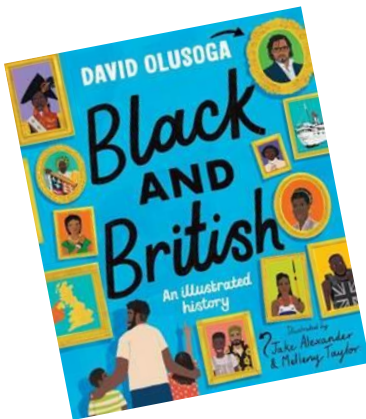
Reading Round-up!

The latest and greatest children's literature to inspire our young people to love reading!

For ages 4-5 +

Somebody Crunched Colin by Sarah Roberts

Colin the crisp packet is outside on the ground but he doesn't really belong there. A lovely rhyming book that teaches us about the perils of litter and the effects it can have on the environment.



For ages 6-8 +

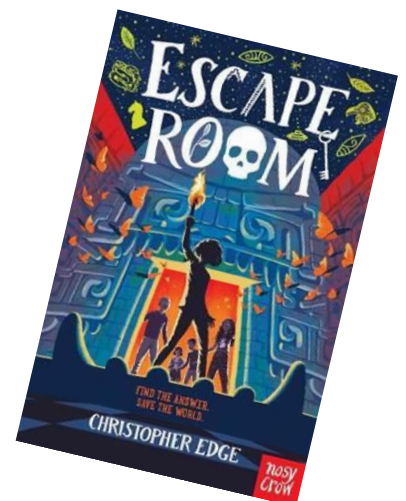
Black and British: An Illustrated History by David Olusoga

A fascinating book about the story of black people in Britain's history with a focus on the real humans involved. Initially written as an adult book, the author was overwhelmed with requests from parents and carers to write a similar text for younger audiences.

For ages 9-11 +

Escape Room by Christopher Edge

A fast-paced adventure FULL of twists and turns as well as tough puzzles for readers to solve – what's not to love! Ami is in excited to go to the escape room but can her and her friends beat the clock and save the world? Read it to find out!



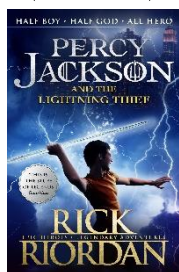
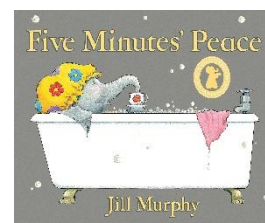
World Book Day continued!

On Thursday 3rd March, we will have our usual dress-up day. Staff and children are invited to dress as their favourite book character and enjoy a fun, book-filled day at school! There will be a finale to our poetry unit in the form of a poetry slam in the hall, a story writing relay, a world cup of books and lots of reading!

Team CCH recommends...

Amelia H, Eva Ibbotson Class, recommends 'Five Minutes Peace' by Jill Murphy:

A great story by a CCH class author (Year 1). It is funny and it also promotes our value this term of peace!



Alice S, William Shakespeare Class, recommends 'The Percy Jackson Series' by Rick Riordan:

This series of books are for ages 10+. Percy Jackson is based on Greek mythology. I love them!

Zadie O, Anthony Browne Class, recommends 'Erika and the Anger-mare' by Tom Percival:

I brought this book in to read as our class reader and now the whole class love it! It's about Erika and she gets really angry. She has an anger mare and the anger mare sucks up her anger until she is really angry. The story is about Erika overcoming it and her learning to deal with it. I like the pictures and the story because Tom Percival uses great language features. 10/10 stars!



A HUGE well done to everyone who took part in the winter reading challenge. We were so impressed by everyone who took part. These children also received their certificate during assembly.

