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# MARUS BRIDGE'S READING NEWSLETTER

Summer 1. Date: May 2024

## **'HAPPY HOTDOG' TAKES THE CROWN!**

This term, Year 1 have been reading 'When Jelly had a Wobble' by Michelle Robinson. Their reading lessons have been bursting with new vocabulary and wonderful experiences for the children, which have inspired some super writing. The children all wrote about a new food they would want to have in the 'Hall of Fame'. They used exciting, positive vocabulary to try to persuade people to vote for them. After reading all 28 entries out to the class, they voted for their favourite foods, based on the writing (not actually knowing who had written them).

A tallied vote revealed the winner as... Amelia.

Amelia won the golden crown and was crowned the winner in front of everyone and got a small prize and a golden crown to wear and take home. **Well done, Amelia!**



### **Happy Hotdog.**

She is the best in the universe!  
She is hot and yummy. Happy Hotdog really deserved to win.  
She is a sweet girl.

## **READING RAFFLE WINNERS!**



### **Well done to our reading superstars!**

In Early Years: Abigail C and Lottie F

Key Stage 1: Amara, Evie P, Oliver B and Merryn W

Key Stage 2: Parker W, Kai R, Freddie C and Livvy.

Reading raffle tickets are awarded for a child reading at home 4 times per week. They are also rewarded in class by recognition and moving up class reward systems.

If parents require any support with home reading, please get in touch with your child's class teacher.

**"Reading is the gateway for children that makes all other learning possible."**

Barack Obama



## **A WHOPPING £500 FOR A NEW EARLY YEARS OUTDOOR READING AREA**

We would like to say a massive THANK YOU to our amazing FOMBA (Friends of Marus Bridge Association), and to everyone who supported us by using their Tesco tokens to vote for Marus Bridge in the recent 'Tesco Stronger Starts Vote'. We came third and are absolutely delighted to be receiving an amazing £500 towards a new outdoor, sheltered reading area in our Early Years play area.

We cannot wait to put it to use! Watch this space.



**OUR READING AMBASSADOR'S RECOMMENDED READS:**



"The best book I've ever read is The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo. We read this book in Year 4 and it's so good!"



"It's got to be Little People Big Dreams Jurgen Klopp. I'd recommend this to anyone because he is the best manager in the world."



"I've been reading Matt Goodfellow's poems, Bright Burst of Colour. It was so much fun to read, with different stories in verse. All very funny!"



"I recommend Monkey Vs Bunny. It's a comic and it's so funny! Monkey causes rouble and bunny tries to stop him."



"Megamonster by David Walliams. It's a really funny book. It's interesting and kept me entertained all the way through."



"Hattie Peck by Emma Levey is such a lovely picture book for younger children. A chicken goes on lots of adventures. They would love it!"



"We have been reading Goodnight Mister Tom in class. It's set during World War II and is nice to read. I really loved the ending but I won't spoil it for you."

**WONDERFUL**

**WORDSMITHS**

Every couple of weeks, teachers choose a child from their class who has 'wowed' them with amazing application of newly learned vocabulary in either their spoken language or within their writing. Well done to some of our recent winners:

Tyler P, Savannah B and William D



**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK 13.5.2024**

BOOKS CAN HELP A CHILD IN NUMEROUS WAYS.

Books can help your child feel happier and more confident. Take a look at these titles around improving their mental wellbeing, suitable for all ages. <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/>

**30 books to support your child's mental wellbeing!**

Reading for at least **10 minutes every day** is great for your child's **happiness and wellbeing.**

**Books for children aged 0 to 5**

**Books for children aged 5 to 8**

**Books for children aged 9 to 12**

**MARUS BRIDGE HAS GOT**

**TALENT!**

Last week, we held a talent show in EYFS. Oslo decided to perform his favourite book, Dear Zoo, using sign. It was truly magnificent to watch and we all enjoyed this so much!

Thank you and well done, Oslo.



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Year 1 have planned a fabulous day linking to the Government Phonics Screening due to take place in June. Look out for 'alien words' dotted around school and an Alien's Love Underpants themed day.

**HAVE A WONDERFUL HALF TERM BREAK!**

Mrs Holden & The Reading Ambassadors