# Reading @ OLSA

Welcome to the October's Reading @ OLSA newsletter! A monthly newsletter to share everything about books and the library at our school!

Keep reading for more information about our library, see what exciting things we're up to and what's coming in the future!

## Our new look!

We have been working very hard over the Summer holidays to revolutionise the way our books look. We have had a new library set up in the ICT suite (now the library!) and we are ready to show off the amazing new location to you all! All of our books have been moved into the newly refurbished library (used to be the ICT suite!) It was a lot of hard work, but now that it is all together in one place, it looks amazing!

We have such an amazing range of books in school that we even gave the books in the corridor a little renovation. We can't wait to hear what you think of our new look!



#### Reading at home

Remember children have a library book and home reading books – why don't you spend time sharing both at home?

Encourage children to talk about their book. We really want children to enjoy the books they are reading, and one of the ways we can so this is to promote book talk.

#### Reading in school

As well as renovating our library, we have been busy sharing our library books in school. Year 5 and 6 had a visit from author Aisha Bushby, which was an awful lot of fun! Watch this space for more news about visits from authors!

We have started a **Story Time for Year 1 and Year 2** on a Friday lunchtime where we share 2 picture books! Lots of children are coming along and it's wonderful! Miss Elliott has started a **book group** with some children in **Year 5** and they're reading *My Baby Brother from Outer Space* by Pamela Butchart!

Keep your eyes peeled for some exciting new initiatives in the library.

Ever wanted to ask an author a question?

Do you have a book you'd like to see in school that we don't have?

Do you want to be involved in some super secret reading business?

Want to recommend a book to your friends?

#### You can!

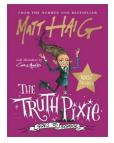
Speak to Miss Elliott, who will happily give you more information about how to get involved!

## Recommended books this half term

## Recommended for EYFS:

My Pet Star by Corrinne Averiss – When a little girl finds a lost star, she takes it home and cares for it, just like a beloved pet. She reads it stories, makes it special snacks and tucks it into bed at night. The more she cares for the star, the brighter it glows. Until, one day, it's time to let go...





## Recommended for Year 1 and 2:

The Truth Pixie Goes To School by Matt Haig – A story told in rhyme about a young girl who goes to a new school. A new school means new friends and new troubles. With the Truth Pixie by her side, will she cope in her new school?

## Recommended for Year 3 and 4:

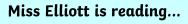
The Dragon in the Library by Louie Stowell - Kit can't STAND reading. She'd MUCH rather be outside, playing in the mud, than stuck inside with a book. But when she's dragged along to the library one day by her two best friends, she makes an incredible discovery – and soon it's up to Kit and her friends to save the library... and the world.





#### Recommended for Year 5 and 6:

The Girl Who Speaks Bear by Sophie Anderson – Found abandoned in a bear cave as a baby, Yanka has always felt out of place. When she wakes up to find that her legs have become bear legs, she sets off into the forest to discover who she is, on a journey that takes her from icy rivers to smouldering mountains, with an ever-growing group of misfits alongside her...



The Star Outside My Window – Onjali Rauf





#### We need your help in the library!

Can you write a book review for the website?

Do you have a question for an author?

Do you have any comments to make about reading?

Are there any books you'd like to see in the library?

Let's spread the love of books through OLSA!