

# Reading at SAH

## Welcome to our Summer Term reading newsletter!

This term, each year group has been immersed in their class book—*The Street Beneath My Feet* (Year 3), *Queen of Darkness* (Year 4) *Journey to the River Sea* (Year 5) and *Steet Child* (Year 6). Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to get hold of a copy of these books—the children love following along with their books in class and using them during creative curriculum lessons. This term also saw the introduction of our new outdoor classroom which many classes have used for their class reading time; it has been a delight to watch the children enjoying their reading outside in the beautiful sunshine we've been having!

## Little Wandle update

Since implementing our new Little Wandle Rapid Catch Up scheme back in the Autumn Term, we have been delighted with the reading progress of the children accessing the scheme. Little Wandle books will not be coming home for the summer holidays, but you can continue to share books with your child at home by choosing books that you can take turns reading. For more information about the sounds your child has learnt, please visit: <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



## Birthday Book update

Since September, we have received **60** birthday books! Thank you to the



parents and carers who have taken part in this scheme—the children love receiving their books in assembly and proudly scanning them into our school library once they have read them. Your contributions have made such a difference to the books we can offer in our school library.

We will be continuing this scheme next year so please follow this link to purchase a birthday book for your child:

<https://amzn.eu/8cW44t0>

## What's coming up?

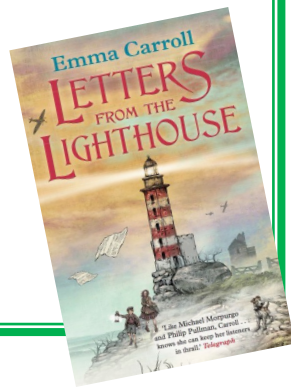
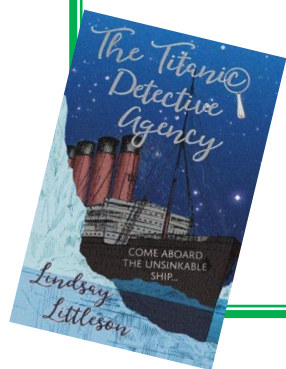
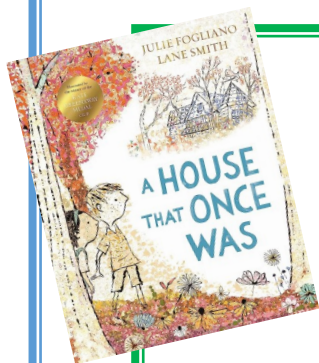
Next term, the children will be using the following texts in class:

Year 3: *A House That Once Was* by Julie Fogliano—*please note this is quite a large, expensive hardback book so there is no expectation for the children to have a copy*

Year 4: *Manfish: A Story of Jacques Cousteau* by Jennifer Berne –*please note this is a larger book so there is no expectation for the children to have a copy*

Year 5: *The Titanic Detective Agency* by Lindsay Littleton

Year 6: *Letters from the Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll



## Summer Reading Challenge

Last week, we sent home information about the Surrey Libraries Summer Reading Challenge. We are encouraging all children to take part and would love to hear about the books they have read over the summer in September.

## How to beat the summer slump

*Advice on keeping reading brains active through the summer*

1. **Make time to read.** Reading with your child for as little as 10 minutes a day can boost how well they do at school.
2. **Holiday destinations.** Wherever you're off to, reading guidebooks, maps and brochures with your child will help get them excited for your trip.
3. **Make the most of the warm weather and head outside!** You can read together in the garden, the park or even the beach.
4. **Find the perfect book.** Your child is more likely to enjoy reading if they get to choose what they read.
5. **Make links to real life when you are reading.** If there's a picture of a dog, talk about a dog your child knows.
6. **Get the whole family involved.** Reading with different people can be fun for your child and helps them to understand that reading is important.
7. **Stop reading at an exciting point in the story – maybe at the end of a chapter or even in the middle of a sentence.** Your child will be excited to pick up where you left off.