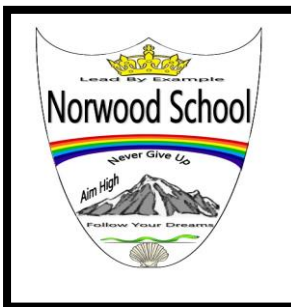


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Reading Newsletter

Autumn 2023

English Lead – Mrs Jane Cockerill



Welcome to our Autumn Reading newsletter.

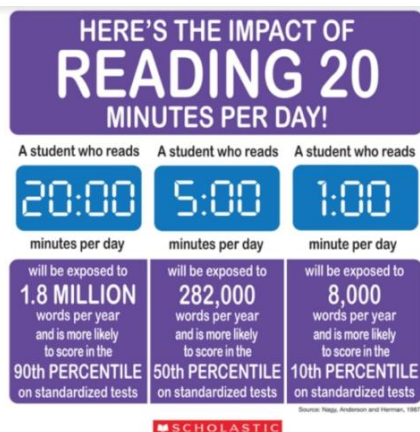
This term we had a visit from Joshua Seigal, a poet. We all had such fun and laughed lots as Joshua read his poetry to children in all classes in assemblies throughout the day. We bought lots of copies of Joshua's books for the library and they haven't been seen since I put the books on the shelves! As soon as one is returned, another child checks it out!

Research suggests that children are more likely to read when they have choices. This is why we prioritise buying new books for our library and raising children's awareness of different authors and poets.

Did you know that one in five children in England do not own a book of their own? With this in mind, we will be holding a 'Books for You' market during the school day where children can browse books that are no longer needed in the library or donated to school and take these home for free.

If you have any books that you no longer want, please could you donate them to our library or the 'Books for You' market? Donations to school by Wednesday 6th December, please.

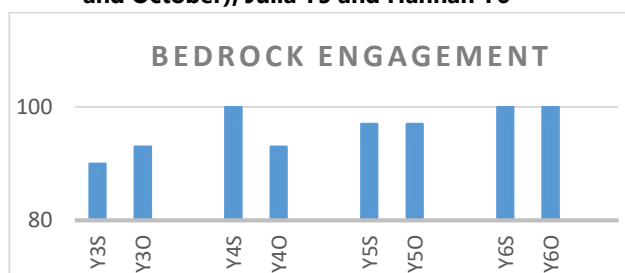
Jane Cockerill



Our school engagement programme for Years 3, 4, 5, 6 Bedrock online learning usage by class defined by level of usage.



Well done to the following pupils for showing most progress/engagement. **Joshua Y4 (in September and October), Julia Y5 and Hannah Y6**



Months are displayed by letter: S = September, O = October

Mini Winter Reading Challenge

1st December 2023 to 19th February 2024

Sign up at your local library or online for the Ready Set Read Winter Mini Challenge. Presented by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with libraries.

Read three or more books to complete the Winter Mini Challenge! Click the link below for more information and to sign up online. <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Children can read whatever they like in their chosen format - fiction, fact books, poetry, joke books, picture books, graphic novels, audio books and eBooks can all be used to complete the challenge.

Reading Buddy

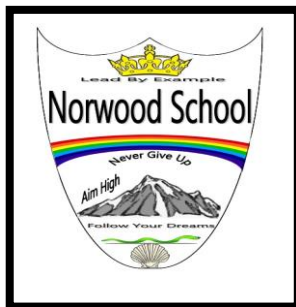
Norwood School Reading Buddies are volunteers who work in school, with children to develop their confidence to read and discuss a book. If you feel you can commit to an hour each week for a term, then please contact school office@norwoodschool.co.uk and sign up to become a Reading Buddy.

The next Reading Buddy Training session is at City College, Brook Street, Peterborough on **13th February 2024, 9:30am - 11:30am**

To book your place onto this FREE 'Reading Buddy Training' session, please email:

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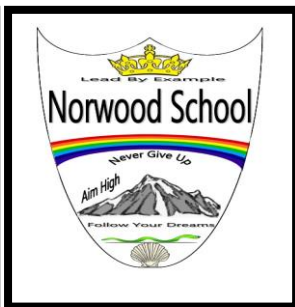


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Be an Author

The 'Be an Author' Tuesday club have been very busy. Two of the children will get their poems included in a book called

This is Me due to be published in January 2024. The school library will have a copy to share their success. You can read these amazing poems in the end of term December 2 school newsletter. If your child is interested in writing poetry the young writers have many competitions. <https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions>

Learning sounds

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Ruth Miskin Training Videos to support parents/carers with helping their children to learn the sounds

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFCI9GdxtQ

Reading to your child

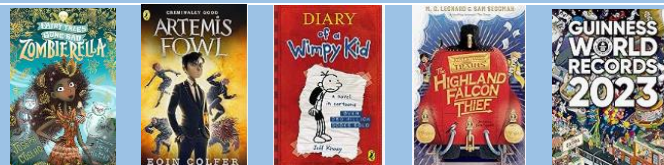
It is really important for children to hear stories read to them. Not only does it expose them to words that they may not hear in everyday life, it also builds an enjoyment of reading. The more children enjoy listening to stories, the more they are likely to want to read as they get older. Children who read regularly are more likely to be successful in all learning.

For suggestions on how to make this time special, please see the Read Write Inc video link below:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/UKjnR0Sb/NtIF97Fc>

	<p>Joshua Seigal – Poet</p> <p>Joshua visited Norwood on Tuesday 7th November and shared his poetry with all of the children in school through two Key Stage assemblies and then workshops with Years 4 and 5. Joshua has his own website where you can find more of his wonderful poetry. https://www.joshuaseigal.co.uk/</p>
 <p>Yapping Away by Joshua Seigal</p> <p>2 x WINNER - Laugh Out Loud Award (2020, 2023) WINNER - The People's Book Prize (2022)</p>	<p>More poetry from Joshua</p>    

Favourite books recommended by Year 6



Zombirella by Joseph Coelho. I recommend this book because it was spooky. **Hannah**

Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer. I loved these books because stories the stories are intriguing, the sarcasm of the characters is funny and its very suspenseful and keeps you reading it. No pictures, it is still a great series. **George**

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney. I like it because it is funny and has loads of drama. **Evie and Joseph**

The Highland Falcon Thief by M G Leonard and Sam Sedgman. Adventures on Trains. I like this book because there is a map with real places but it is a fiction book. **Florence**

Guinness World Records 2023. I love this book because it has funny and interesting records. **Gabrielius**



Amulet by Karzu Kibuishi. I liked this book because one of the characters is very funny especially Miskit and there was a mystery ending. **Ezmie**

Max Magic by Stephen Mulhern. I loved the books because there was a lot of cliffhangers and it was teaching me magic tricks. **Sophie**

Cat Kid by Dave Pilkey. I love it because it is funny and the hero is just a small cat but it shows anyone can be a hero. **Isabella**

Kid Normal by Greg Jams and Chris Smith. I love this book because it shows a lot of crazy stuff, especially the funny stuff too. **Jaiden**

Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson. It was very funny and I really like sport. I recommend this book because it has a lot of things you can relate to. **Sophie and Hannah**



Ella on the Outside by Cath Howe. Ella on the Outside is a book about unusual subjects. My favourite part is where she's a new girl at school, she doesn't have any friends but she has a terrible secret. I would really recommend this book for people that like books about secrets, lies and friendship. **Sienna**