Thursday 25th May





Upcoming Events

★Empathy Day -8th June



★ National Writing Day -21st June

★ Women's World Cup-20th July - 20th August

School Library Times

Monday - Thursday:

- Lunchtimes
- 3:30pm 4:30pm



The King's Coronation



On Saturday 6th May, the nation celebrated the coronation of King Charles III.

As part of our celebrations at Alston Primary School, we displayed a variety of books linked to the new king and the coronation. These are now available in our school library for you to borrow.





Competition Time

Can you find our hidden tokens?

Miss Rafiq has hidden TEN Book Vending Machine Tokens inside books within the school library.

Your challenge is to find them.



In order to win the token, Miss Rafiq will be asking children questions about the book after they've borrowed the book, read it and returned it to the library.







Once Miss Rafiq confirms that you have read the book, you can then use your token to claim your book from the book vending machine outside Mrs Nott's office.

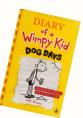
Author of the Month

Jeff Kinney is an American author and cartoonist who is most famous for his Diary of a Wimpy Kid series.









Born: 19 February 1971

Inspiration: JRR Tolkien and Judy Blume

Writing: He began writing Diary of a

Wimpy Kid in 1998

Poetry Corner

Do you enjoy writing poetry?

Would you like one of your poems to be featured in the next edition of The Reading Rocket?

To be in with a chance of having your poem published in our reading newsletter, send your poems to Mrs Chapman.

Deadline: Friday 38th June.

Reading at home

Please continue to read at home every day. This can be independently or with an adult. This will help you to improve your fluency skills, word recognition and inference skills.

Don't forget to record your reading in your Reading Record book too!



Questions to ask when reading:

Before you read:

- How does the cover make you feel?
- Who do you see on the cover?
- What do you think the story will be about? How do you know that?
- Do you think this story will be fiction or nonfiction? How can you tell that from the cover?
- What's your prediction about what will happen?

As you read:

- Who are the main characters?
- Where is the story set?
- What do you think will happen next?
- How did the character feel at certain points of the story? How do you know?
- List three facts you have learnt from the text.

After you have finished the text:

- Explain what you think the author's purpose for writing the book was?
- Summarise the text in five sentences.
- What was your favourite part of the book? Why?
- Would you recommend this book to a friend? Explain your answer.



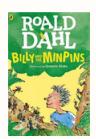


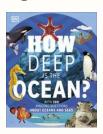
What does Miss Rafiq recommend?

Here are the top ten books recommended by Miss Rafiq, our school librarian. You can find these books in our school library too! Happy reading!

- Billy and the Minpins by Roald Dahl
- The Last Bear by Hannah Gold
- When Stars Are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed
- Little People, Big Dreams King Charles by Maria Isabela Sanchez Vergara
- Clean Up! by Nathan Bryon
- A Little bit Brave by Nicola Kinnear
- How Deep is The Ocean? by Steve Setford
- Great Cities by Charles Conway
- Tell Me About? Various Authors
- The Daredevil's Guide To Outer Space? by Anna Brett











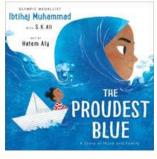
What are your teachers reading?

Miss Byrne

The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad and S.K.Ali

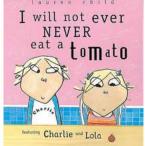


I Will Never Eat a Tomato by Lauren Child



Mrs Chapman









All of these books are available in our school library. Happy reading!