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THEME OF Reading Fun THE WEEK

Dear Students,

Although our libraries remain closed for now, we've stuffed this newsletter to the brim with ideas for how you could entertain yourself with some literary fun. From book recommendations to reading challenges and more, we hope you'll enjoy exploring everything the reading world has to offer!

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The **Summer Reading Challenge** is one of the best-known reading challenges in the UK, designed especially for students aged between 4 and 11. If you're a little older than that, don't worry: you can still sign up if you'd like to take part! Last year's Reading Challenge was all about silliness, with activities celebrating funny books, happiness and laughter. The Reading Challenge is completely free to join and features games, quizzes and plenty of downloadable activities. To find out more, go to www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk. It's sure to put a smile on your face!



TOPPSTA READING PACK

If funny books aren't really your thing, why not try the challenge in **Toppsta's** free reading pack? From book bingo to review writing, there's more than enough to stave off boredom! Do you think you could read every day for 15 minutes? Track your progress on the reading chart and see if you can make it to 30 days straight! Download the resource from toppsta.com/pdf/Toppsta%20Reading%20Pack.pdf. Be sure to let your librarian know if you complete any of the challenges!

READ FOR CHARITY

Scholastic's **Read-A-Palooza** encourages you to read every day over the summer, so make sure to bookmark it for the end of the year. Each time you complete a Reading Streak, you'll help to unlock a donation of over 100,000 books to children in areas with limited or no access to books. To join, download the app to create your own avatar, play games and read books knowing you're helping disadvantaged children all over the world. Find out more at www.scholastic.com/site/summer/home.html.

READING ACTIVITIES

Let your imagination run wild and create your own reading activities! www.readingrockets.org has lots of ideas for interesting and fun ways to invest in reading – from recording a recipe of your own invention to creating a scrapbook or hosting a book picnic! Steal the best of their ideas, or come up with something totally unique. Let us know which activities you liked the most; we might even share your top recommendations in the next newsletter for other students to enjoy!

RECOMMENDED READS

If you're stuck for reading material, fear not – we've got plenty! Even though libraries are closed right now, there's plenty of books available online. We've compiled a list of recommended reads available online for free – no sign up or registration required. Go to <https://bit.ly/2vO9Ui9> to see our absolute favourite audiobooks and e-books. Can you read them all before we return to school? Impress us and house points will be up for grabs!

LIBRARIAN'S CORNER

This week we're recommending some of the reads we're most excited to dive into over the next few weeks!

Mrs P recommends a murder mystery or detective series such as *Murder Most Unladylike* by **Robin Stevens** or *Skulduggery Pleasant* by **Derek Landy** – both have lots of books in the series to keep you entertained!

Mrs B thinks that lockdown is a time to catch up on all the books you've been meaning to read. Over the next few weeks she's looking forward to reading *Burn* by **Patrick Ness**. With a strong female heroine, dragons and the end of the world, it has everything she wants!

Miss M recently read *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by **Holly Jackson**, a thrilling mystery with lots of twists and turns. She'll be reading the sequel, *Good Girl, Bad Blood* next!

TALK ABOUT READING

There's not much better than enjoying a good book... except maybe talking about it! Discuss what you're reading with your friends and swap the books you've enjoyed the most. You could even start up your own virtual book group – all you need to do is to vote on a book you'd like to read and pick the times and days you'll meet. Don't forget the snacks: no book club is complete without them!