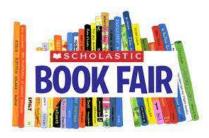




Higher Bebington Junior School Reading Update October 2023

Scholastic Book Fair



We are hosting a Scholastic book fair in the hall, straight after school until 4.15pm on **Tuesday 10th, Thursday 12th and Friday 13th October**. There will be no book fair on the Wednesday of this week because of a club we have a prior commitment with.

Children will be given the opportunity to visit the book fair on the Monday during school hours to browse the selection of books available. Your child will be given a Wish List. Wish Lists are designed to allow your child to make

a note of the books they would like to purchase from the bookcases if you are unable to attend the Book Fair in person. You can then pay for these books using the Scholastic <u>online payment system</u>.

The Wish List is not an order form and **must be returned to school** so we can distribute the chosen books.

Parents and carers can visit the fair to help children choose a book and payment will be made via a QR code. You will be asked to confirm the details of the book(s), put card details in. Once payment is made, you show us the confirmation code and your child can take the book there and then.

The school is rewarded with free books based on the number of purchases made. As funding in schools is a challenge, any help is greatly appreciated to enable us to replenish our book stock with the latest, engaging, high quality texts for our children.

Scholastic have advised us there is something for every pocket on the book fair to assist with the rise in the cost of living. **Approximately 30% of titles are under £5.**

Competition to win vouchers to spend at the book fair.

We have five £5 Scholastic book vouchers up for grabs! The vouchers are to be spent at the book fair. If your child would like to enter the competition, they can create their own illustrated, colourful poster about their favourite book to explain why they love it so much. Deadline for submissions is Monday 9th October when entries will be judged by Reading Reps.



Reading volunteers

We would love to continue to welcome volunteers to read with our children on a 1:1 regular basis. Reading aloud is a key part of developing reading fluency. Please contact the school office or your child's teacher if this is something you or a family member would like to be involved in.





HBJS Weekly Book Recommendations

We publish a weekly book recommendation on our X page @HBJSCH63 every Friday during term times so please do give us a follow if you don't already.

Community lending library

We were delighted to raise £237 from a non-uniform day for the installation of a community lending library last year. Trying to find one online within this price has been quite tricky and we haven't heard back from anyone we have contacted unfortunately. So, we are appealing for your help! Do you know anyone who would be able to make one for us? Or can you recommend anyone we can contact? If so, please contact Mrs Colothan with details via the school office.



Reading Reps

Our Reading Reps for the year have been appointed! Congratulations to **Cherry (6C) Emily (6TW) Alice (6D) Emma (5L), Harry (5S), May (5P), Zara (4T), Kitty (4C), Evelyn-Rose (4H), Daniel (3AP), Freya (3R), Daniel 3P)**. We held our first meeting this week and the Reading Reps are buzzing with ideas to help promote reading around school and looking forward to an exciting year ahead of all things reading at Higher Bebington Junior School! Don't forget to ask them what they're reading!



Wirral Book Festival – Bear Hunt Books

On the 14th of October, Bear Hunt Books will have several events, author talks and lots of things to do to celebrate our favourite books! You can buy tickets here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/3db7avw3</u>



Britain's got Talent's **Mama G** (pre-school, KS1, KS2) will amuse and enchant you with her inclusive brand of storytelling at Bebington Methodist Church.

Maisie Chang (KS1 & KS2), winner of the Jhalak prize, will be over to share her new book, Battle of the Jade Rabbit, part of the Tiger Warrior series.

Marie Basting (KS2) is here to deliver rather revolting facts with her story 'My Family and Other Romans.' Be prepared to be disgusted and thoroughly entertained!

Thomas Taylor (KS2) is also spooking us with his stories set in Eerie-on-sea. He will discuss his fifth and final book in the series: Mermedusa.

