World Book Day



Thursday 7th March 2024



Reception Class

Reception had a fantastic world book day, and really enjoyed the book swap. The children were fully immersed during the day with stories, and sharing books together. The children used the puppet theatre and puppets to make up their own stories or retell some familiar ones we had read together during the day!

Year 1 celebrated World Book Day by taking part in a 'story square' session. We all sat in a square, we then took it in turn to take to the stage and act out some of our favourite traditional stories, such as The Three Little Pigs and Little Red Riding Hood. We used our facial expressions, bodies as well as words to retell the story to the audience around our square. At the end of each story the actors took a bow and the audience applauded them. We all had great fun!

We also enjoyed listening to some of our favourite stories and taking about why we like them.





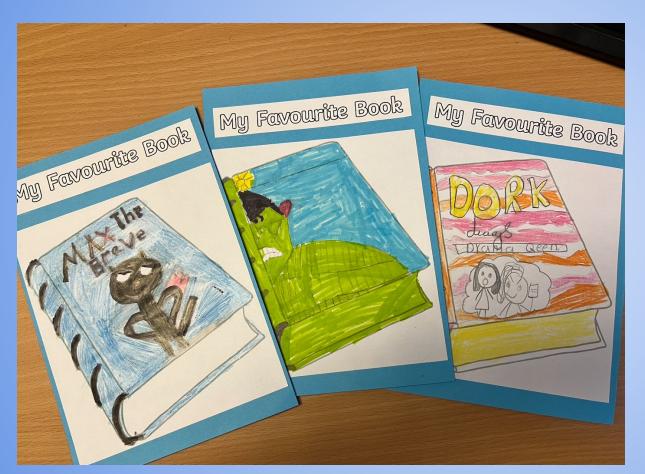






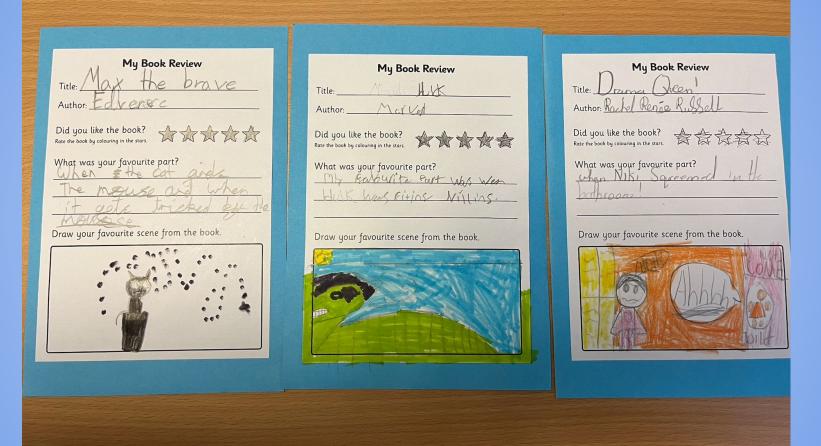
In class 2 we designed our own book characters out of lolly sticks and other materials found in school. The children needed to create a new character using the materials. We had lots of lovely discussions on what they designed and what their story might be about. The children loved this activity and created some fantastic characters!





In Year 3, the children listened to a WBD author talk about her favourite books as a child and why they were still so important to her today.

As a result, the children drew the front cover of their favourite books, wrote a short book review and then discussed, using their oracy skills, why their book was so important to them and why they would recommend it to others to read.









In Year 4, we considered the pros and cons of audiobooks and enjoyed listening to part of an audiobook. We then chose one of the stories we have written in English to record as our very own audiobooks, or a book we really enjoyed learning about if we have a new book. We saved them as QR Codes for you! We hope you enjoy listening to a few of our wonderful stories!

Trisha's story





Lola's story



Delilah's story



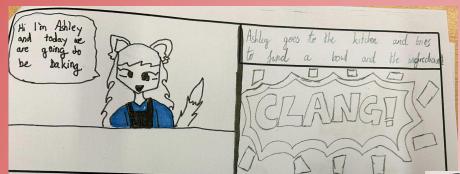




Antonis' story

Year 5 enjoyed making their own comic books on World Book Day. We had a look at some examples and the features of comics before planning a main character, setting and a plot. The children really used their imaginations, and they produced some amazing comics which included stories about superheroes, battles between fruit and eggs and even some sad stationary! I loved reading their comics and looking at their illustrations. We have photocopied them for the classroom to add to the reading corner!

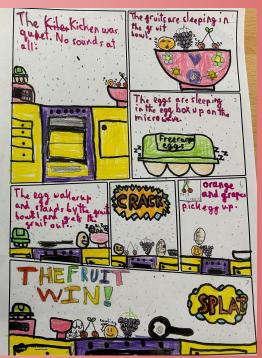












Y6 looked at the short, scary stories written by children's Crossley-Holland.

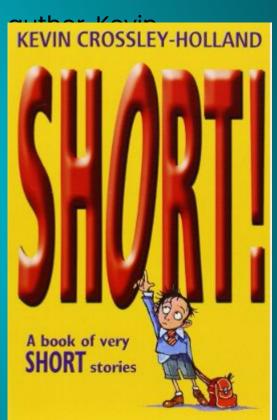
One of his stories only has 22 words in it - now that is short!

The children were challenged with writing their own short, scary stories - aiming for around 50 words but using no more than 100.

Here are some of them.

Read on...

If you dare...



'Staring problems' by Olivia

Emily was a young adult who had just moved into a small village. She was about a week into her new home when, suddenly, her family lost contact and no-one heard from her. They said that she needed time. One day, her family came to her door but she didn't answer. They called the police. They found her lying in a pool of blood. All the mirrors were broken. They found her diary and all that she had repeated were the words, 'eyes are staring at me'.

(86 words)

'The competition' by Sid

She had won the competition, so she had £15 to spend on what she pleased. She headed to the book section.

SCREECH.

She turned. Nothing.

Another book had appeared on the shelf; its title was 'Read me' by Them. She had heard of 'Them'... "Never dare read it, or it'll be your last."

She couldn't run any longer. The concrete tunnel seemed to have no end. But the darkness kept her from knowing.

"Good night," they said.

(77 words)

'Am I scary?' By Naeto

She wasn't afraid. Even when she was alone. She put on her nightie and said, "I am not afraid." She got into bed. "I am not afraid," she whispered. But something was wrong. She closed the blinds, locked the door and barricaded the window.

"Am I scary?" it said, before it started to laugh.

(56 words)

'The voice in the bed' by Lily

The floorboards creaked as she got into bed. Kirsty couldn't believe he was gone. This would be their first anniversary without each other. "Wow, I remember our first year together," she said putting her head on the pillow. Someone next to her spoke, "Me too dear, me too"...

(48 words)

'Close death' by Thomas

In the deepest, darkest time of night, as Jack shut the door, something bad happened.
Little did he know he trapped a thing inside.
Tick-tock went the clock. Drip-drip went the rain. "I'm gonna get you," went the voice.

(39 words)

What did the children think?



I liked taking the books home, we read then when we got home and kept them safe. My sister read them to me at bedtime.

I liked reading the books I took home at bedtime for 10 minutes before I go to sleep. Pixie (Y1)

Emeliya (Y1)

I liked when I acted as the big bad wolf, as it was really fun. Libby (Y1)



I enjoyed the book swap because it was very hard to choose everyone bought loads of great books in! Lucas (Y4)



My favourite part was the book swap because you can get more books you haven't read before and it can inspire you to write your own stories.

Evuprasia (Y4)

My favourite part of world book day was making audiobooks because I was really proud of my story.

Connor (Y4)

I enjoyed the book swap because it was well organised and there were lots of interesting books to choose from. Willow (Y6)

My favourite part was writing our short, scary stories - they gave you a chill, but it was a good chill - they were interesting.

Olivia (Y6)



I really enjoyed writing the scary stories - it was really different to the usual writing we do.

Mehak (Y6)