



Emmer Green Reading Olympiad Year 3

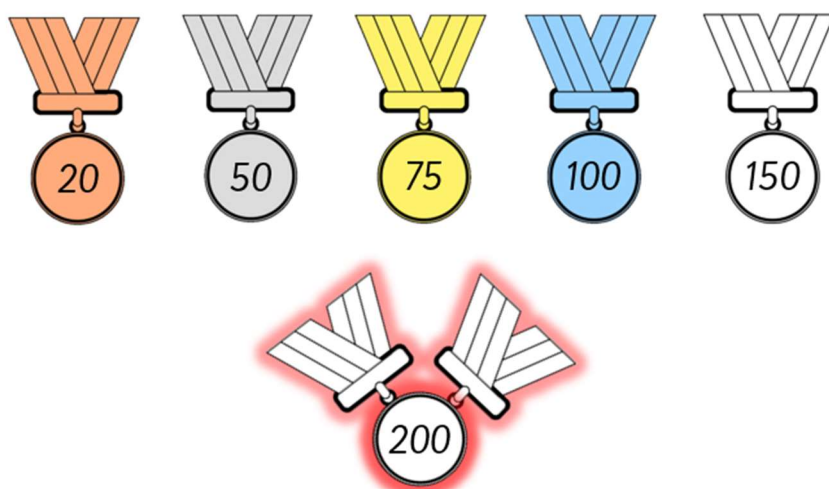
2023 - 2024

A guide for parents & children



New for 2023!

To encourage frequent reading of high-quality books, we are setting some challenges to Emmer Green students, with Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond and Platinum Awards for those who do well. You can read it yourself, **have it read TO you** or take it in turns to read aloud. However, if you have read any of these books before, you must re-read them to earn the points! The challenges are set out here, and also in the Reading Olympiad Scoresheet that all children have been given:



Bronze: 25 points Silver: 50 points Gold: 75 points

Diamond: 100 points Platinum: 150 points Double Platinum: 200 points

Olympiad Champion: all books on top 50 list

- + A scoresheet will be sent home in addition to this guide. It will be a record of the points gained to earn towards the awards. Each challenge completed must be signed by a parent.
- + Once there are enough points for an award, then hand in the scoresheet into your class teacher's tray. Certificates and awards will be presented in celebration assemblies on Fridays.
- + Reading the Book of the Week will earn you 10 points! Check the display by the Wall of Fame for a new book each week.
- + The Reading Olympiad wall outside Mr Jackson's classroom feature the Wall of Fame, where children who become Olympiad Champions will have their name displayed all year. To become a Reading Champion, read every book in the Top 50 to have your name displayed on the Wall of Fame.

The Top 50

1 Point Challenges

- Take a picture of you reading a book in an unusual place.
- Read a book to someone else like family members.
- Read a newspaper, magazine, non-fiction or listen to an audio book.

3 Point Challenges

- Learn a favourite poem off by heart.
- Read a sequel to a book you have already read.
- Read a book from the key authors list.

10 Point Challenge

- Read a book from the classics list.



2 Point Challenges

- Read a book that is not on the recommended list.
- Read a comic book or graphic novel.
- Read a book and watch the film that goes with it.

5 Point Challenges

- Read a book from the top 50.
- Read your parent's favourite kids book.
- Write a short story sequel to one of the books you have read.

These books are fantastic and well worth a read. They are sorted into five main genres: adventure, fantasy, classics and poetry, comedy and non-fiction. Find them in the school library, the local library, online or in the classroom book corner. Reading any of these books will net you 5 points!



'Reading is dreaming with open eyes.'

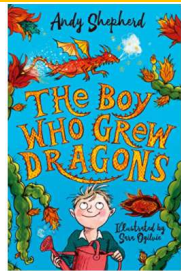


Adventure

<p>King Kong <i>By Anthony Browne</i></p>		<p>Beast Quest: (any in the series) <i>By Adam Blade</i></p>	
<p>The Abominables <i>By Eva Ibbotson</i></p>		<p>Spy Dog <i>By Andrew Cope</i></p>	
<p>Ice Palace <i>By Robert Swindells</i></p>		<p>The Secret Dragon <i>By Ed Clarke</i></p>	
<p>Knights and Bikes <i>By Gabrielle Kent</i></p>		<p>Secret Agent Jack Stalwart <i>By Elizabeth Singer Hunt</i></p>	
<p>Magical Myths and Legends <i>By Michael Morpurgo</i></p>		<p>Dear Hound <i>By Jill Murphy</i></p>	

Fantasy

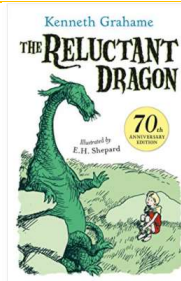
*The Boy Who Grew
Dragons*
by Andy Shepherd



The Magic Finger
By Roald Dahl



The Reluctant Dragon
By Kenneth Grahame



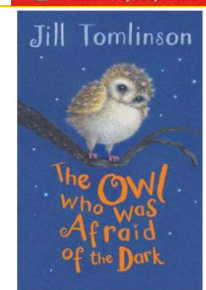
The Dragonsitter
By Josh Lacey



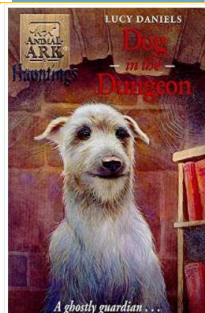
*Polly and the Wolf
Again*
By Catherine Storr



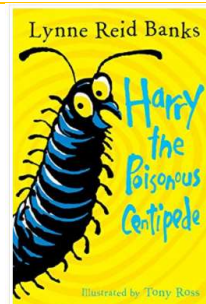
*The Owl who was
Afraid of the Dark*
By Jill Tomlinson



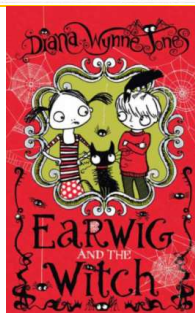
Dog in the Dungeon
By Ben M. Baglio



*Harry the
Poisonous
Centipede*
By Lynne Reid
Banks



Earwig and the Witch
by Diana Wynne Jones



*Diary of an 8-Bit
Warrior*
By Cube Kid

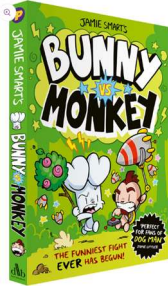


Classics &
Poetry

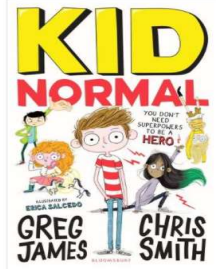
<p><i>The Diary of a Killer Cat</i> By Anne Fine</p>		<p><i>Behind the Staffroom Door</i> By Brian Moses</p>	
<p><i>My Naughty Little Sister Stories</i> By Dorothy Edwards</p>		<p><i>Winnie-the-Pooh</i> By A.A. Milne</p>	
<p><i>Where Zebras Go</i> By Sue Hardy-Dawson</p>		<p><i>Quick, Let's Get Out of Here</i> By Michael Rosen</p>	
<p><i>Spaced Out</i> By Brian Moses & James Carter</p>		<p><i>Billy the Kid</i> By Michael Morpurgo</p>	
<p><i>The Adventures of the Wishing Chair</i> By Enid Blyton</p>		<p><i>The Little Prince</i> By Antoine De Saint-Exupery</p>	

Comedy

Bunny vs Monkey
By Jamie Smart



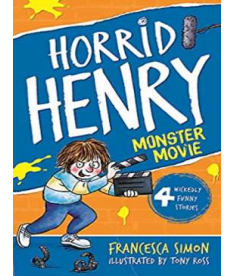
Kid Normal
By Greg James



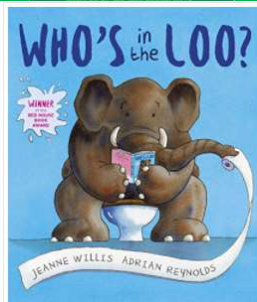
Dog Man (any in series)
By Dav Pilkey



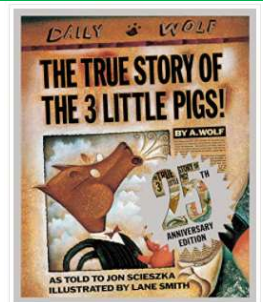
Horrid Henry (any in the series)
By Francesca Simon



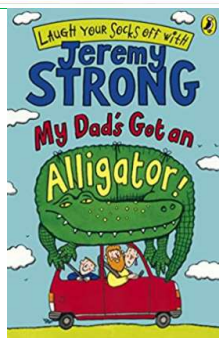
Who's in the Loo
By Jeanne Willis



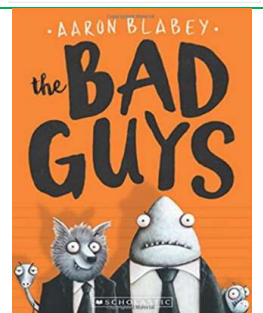
The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs
By Jon Scieszka



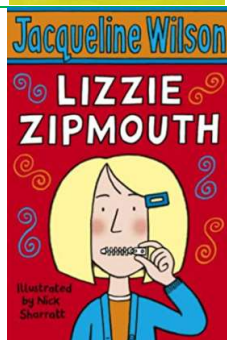
My Dad's Got an Alligator
By Jeremy Strong



The Bad Guys
By Aaron Blabey



Lizzie Zipmouth
By Jacqueline Wilson

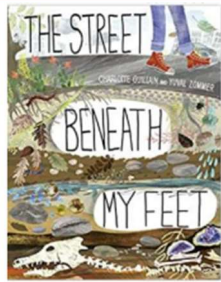


Beware! Killer Tomatoes
by Jeremy Strong

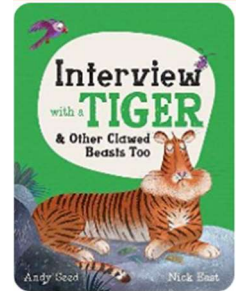


Non-fiction

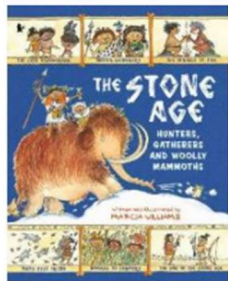
The Street beneath my Feet
By Charlotte Guilliane



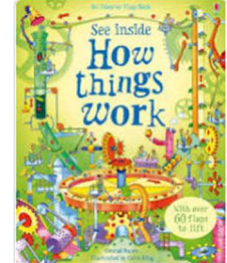
Interview with a Tiger
By Andy Seed



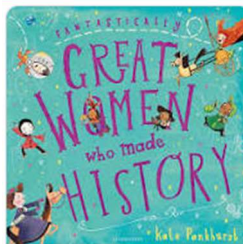
The Stone Age
By Marcia Williams



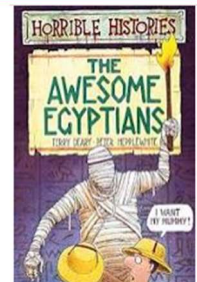
How things Work
By Conrad Mason



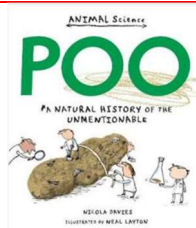
Great Women who made History
By Kate Pankhurst



Horrible Histories: The Awesome Egyptians
By Terry Deary



Poo: A natural history of the unmentionable
By Nicola Davies



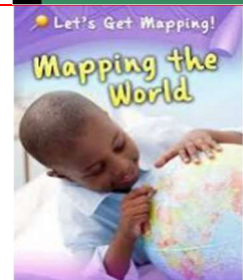
Little People, Big Dreams
(any in the series)



Expedition to the Arctic
By Alex Woolf



Mapping the world



Authors

The following authors are well-known for writing amazing children's books.
Reading any book written by one of these authors will grant you 3 points!

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| ○ Joan Aiken | ○ Steve Cole |
| ○ Susan Cooper | ○ Betty G. Birney |
| ○ Roald Dahl | ○ Alan Garner |
| ○ Berlie Doherty | ○ Astrid Lindgren |
| ○ Michael Morpurgo | ○ Jennifer Gray |
| ○ Clive King | ○ Lissa Evans |
| ○ Philip Ridley | ○ Philip Ardagh |
| ○ Terry Deary | ○ Debi Glori |
| ○ Anthony Horowitz | ○ Glenda Millard |
| ○ Terry Jones | ○ Ted Hughes |
| ○ Rudyard Kipling | ○ Eva Ibbotson |
| ○ Caroline Lawrence | ○ Marcus Sedgwick |
| ○ Jenny Nimmo | ○ Ann Jungman |
| ○ Ian Serrailier | ○ Dorothy Edwards |
| ○ Terry Pratchett | ○ Helen Moss |
| ○ Judy Blume | ○ Dick King Smith |
| ○ Betsy Byers | ○ Philip Pullman |
| ○ Anne Fine | ○ Jacqueline Wilson |
| ○ Michael Foreman | ○ Kevin Crossley Holland |
| ○ Morris Gleitzman | ○ Michael Bond |
| ○ Gene Kemp | ○ Cyril Birch |
| ○ Philippa Pearce | ○ David Baddiel |
| ○ Noel Streatfield | ○ Alan Gibbons |
| ○ Philip Sherlock | ○ Alan Ahlberg |
| ○ Madhur Jaffrey | ○ R.L. Stine |

What Else Can We Do?

There are lots of things that families can do together to support the improvement of reading ability and enjoyment – and not all of them require a book!

Talk as a family about reading

Some pupils are competent readers now and are less likely to read aloud to an adult. That's a natural progression, but it doesn't mean that parents don't have a part to play. The higher-level skills of inference and understanding the craft of an author can be supported by talking about what has been read.

Share a book

Even after children learn to read by themselves, it's still important for you to read aloud together. By reading stories that are on their interest level, but beyond their reading level, you can stretch your child's understanding and vocabulary.

Model what it is to be a reader

Many parents will read, whether it be fiction, newspapers, online or in any other context. Get in the habit of being seen to read, and valuing reading.

Join the library – and visit!

Library membership is free, and Caversham library is just a short walk from school. Activities are regularly run for children at Reading libraries. That opens up a whole range of reading opportunities! Remember that our Junior Library is also open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays lunchtimes too. Come and visit and check out up to two books at a time.

Good & Bad Reading

Fiction books aren't the only sort of reading material that will help you improve your reading ability.

Reading these will help:



Newspapers



Websites



Non-fiction



Magazines



Graphic Novels



Audio books

Don't forget to log ALL your reading on Boom Reader to keep earning gems.

