

BOOK TALK #theJSway

SEPTEMBER 2025

SCHOOL YEAR 25-26 INCOMING!

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

We are looking forward to another fantastic year at JS!

As always, we encourage our children to read widely for pleasure. In classrooms, we encourage children to read books recommended for their age. This year's new lists are on our school website and posters are displayed in the classrooms.

You can find the new lists here:



<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/>

CLASS CORNER

We have a JS Reading Spine throughout the school. Here are some examples of what will be shared this year...



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!

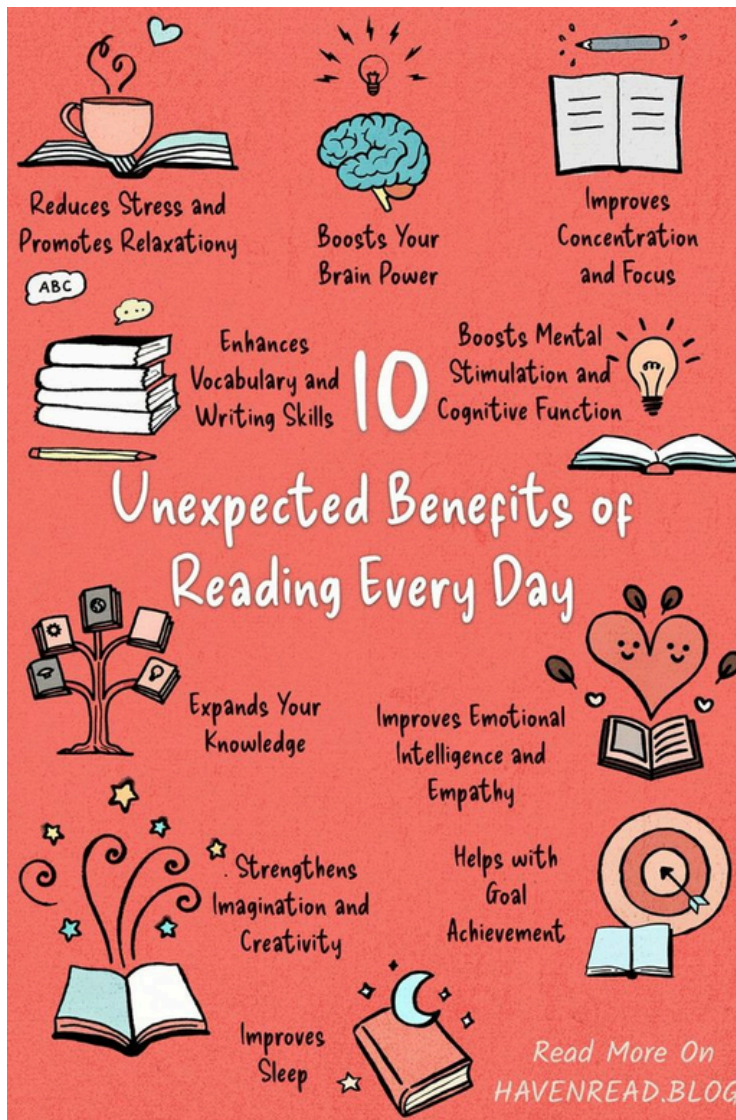


There are still a few more weeks of The Summer Reading Challenge. You can still read and log books until the 30th of September.



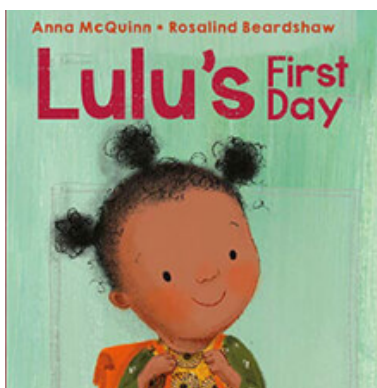
READING DIARY REMINDERS

- All JS children are to read at home a minimum of 3 times a week to practise their developing reading skills.
- Children can read a couple of pages, a chapter or the whole book. As long as they are reading regularly, there is no expectation on how much they read.
- Adults should write a written comment in the diary to reflect on their child's reading - there are prompts in the reading diaries to support you with this.
- Children will have the opportunity to change their reading book twice a week if they have finished their book or are not enjoying it.
- Re-reading books is good! It helps children read more fluently and develop their understanding more.



READING RECOMMENDATIONS

In September, we have our youngest children starting school and everyone else transitioning to new classes! Try these recommendations linked to these new routines...



Tulu is going to preschool for the first time. She has visited school before with Mummy, but this time she will go on her own. She's excited, but a bit nervous. She gets dressed, packs her bag and makes sure she has her cat Dinah with her. When Lulu gets to school, she quickly settles and makes a friend with Mummy watching close by. When Mummy leaves, Lulu is nervous, but soon finds her way forward on her new adventure.



A fun and gentle introduction to expectations about what to do when you go to school. When a dragon goes to school, will she stamp her feet, hide from the teacher or throw crayons around? Or will she choose to put her belongings on her peg, enjoy the toys and books and eat her lunch politely with her friends? A lovely exploration of how to enjoy the routines, relationships and responsibilities that come with being big enough for school.