



# Florendine Reading Newsletter



November 2021

## Reasons to Love Reading!

Don't just take my word for it—each newsletter I will share a quote which encourages a love of reading!

Quote #10:

*“The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest (people) of the past centuries.”* - Descartes,  
French Philosopher, Mathematician and Scientist



## Upcoming Reading Events:

All Month—Non-fiction November! (The theme this year is ‘The Planet We Share’ - perfect for those children interested in the current COP26 conference.

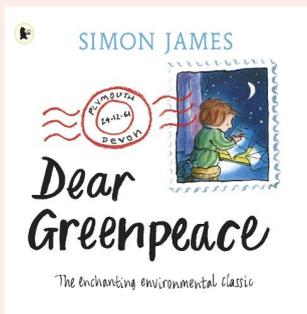
November—Costa Book Awards shortlist announced—find out more here <https://www.costa.co.uk/behind-the-beans/costa-book-awards/book-awards>

11th November—Remembrance Day

13th November—World Kindness Day

## COP 26!

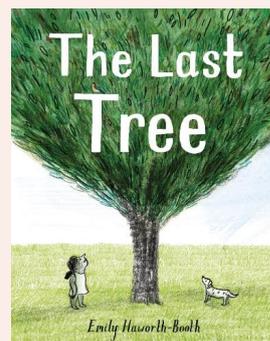
I'm sure you will have seen lots of coverage on the news recently regarding the COP 26 climate change conference. Climate change and protecting our planet is something the pupils here at Florendine really like to get involved in. The Green Team and Mrs Cooke are working hard to make our school a greener place. Why not help your child learn more about climate change and what they can do to help by reading some of these books?



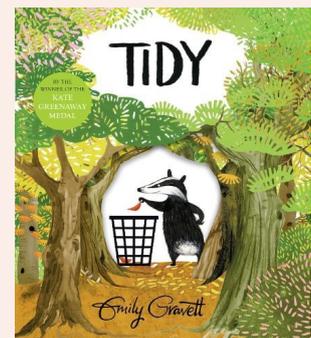
Dear Greenpeace  
by Simon James



Here we Are by  
Oliver Jeffers



The Last Tree by Emily  
Haworth-Booth



Tidy by Emily  
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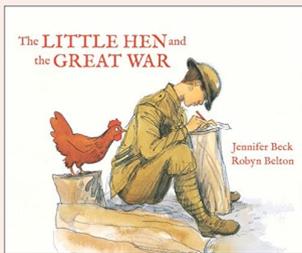
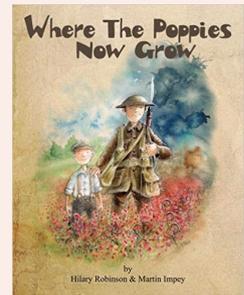


## Recommended Reads—Remembrance Day



### **Reception: Where the Poppies Now Grow by Hilary Robinson and Martin Impey**

The illustrations in this book are similar to the cbeebies animation for Remembrance day and so are a familiar and friendly way to introduce children to the topic. The story tells of two friends whose lives are changed completely when they are both sent to war, but their friendship sees them through!

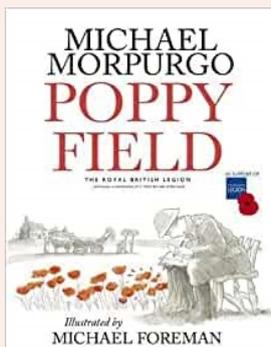
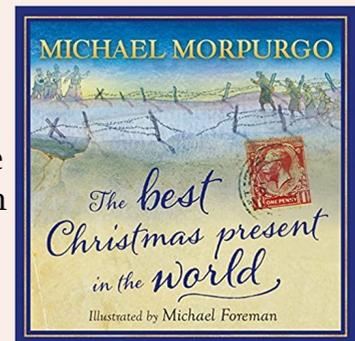


### **Year 1 & 2: The Little Hen and the Great War by Jennifer Beck**

This story follows the story of a soldier in the trenches who find a skinny and scruffy little red hen. When he decides to take care of the hen and share his rations with it, the other soldiers laugh. However, as the hen grows stronger and begins to lay eggs for them, they realise there is hope after all. A beautiful story of unexpected friendships.

### **Year 3 & 4: The Best Christmas Present in the World by Michael Morpurgo**

This vivid and spellbinding book from Michael Morpurgo tells the tale of Christmas Day 1914 when soldiers on both sides put down their weapons in honour of Christmas. The story is accompanied by stunning illustrations from Michael Foreman.



### **Year 5 & 6: Poppy Field by Michael Morpurgo**

Another beautifully illustrated book that speaks from the perspective of a young boy who lives on a farm in Flanders Field. This book explores how the past has shaped our present in profound ways and the importance of remembering what has passed.

### **Competition Time!**

Did you guess the titles of the classic Children's Books?

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