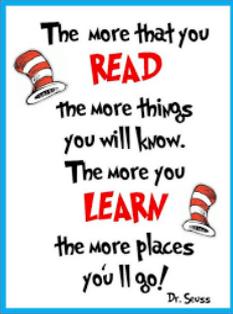




# Florendine Reading Newsletter



March 2022



## 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 #12:

*"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax all you need is a book!"* – Dr. Seuss (Did you know it's Dr Seuss Day on March 2nd?)

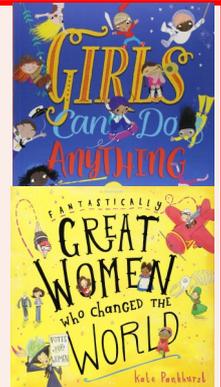
## World Book Day!

Don't forget for World Book Day this week—Thursday 3rd March—children are invited to come to school in their pyjamas and bring their favourite book as we celebrate the joy of bedtime stories. Children will be bringing home their book day token. Be sure to use it in your local bookshop or supermarket to pick up a free book!

## Reading Events this Month

### International Women's Day —8th March

Girls Can Do Anything by Caryl Hart and Ali Pye and Great Women Who Changed the World by Kate Pankhurst are two wonderful books that teach children about some of the greatest inventions and achievements made by women throughout history.



### British Science Week— 11th March

The recommended reads in this months newsletter are dedicated to British Science Week. See below.

### World Storytelling Day—20th March

During our Flarnia week, the children enjoyed a visit from a storyteller—Mr Hayward. He taught the children that anyone can be a storyteller and offered them a few tips to be a great one! Telling stories is a great way to help children improve their speech and language, and expand their vocabulary—the wilder and more creative the better!

### Shakespeare Week—21st March

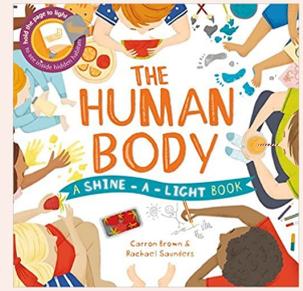
Our school library has a number of abridged and KS2 friendly versions of the Bard's greatest works, and you can also find engaging summaries of the stories [here](#). For KS1, why not try some of the cbeebies productions found [here](#).

### World Poetry Day—21st March

There is a wealth of children's poetry available on line and it is often a form of writing which can really engage some otherwise reluctant readers, so why not have a look at <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/learn/children>. Or you could visit <https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/> to listen to a wide range of children's poetry and interviews with the poets themselves.

**Reception: The Human Body: Shine a Light Book by Carron Brown and Rachel Saunders**

Discover all the secrets of the human body in this shine a light book. Children can learn all about their own bodies; how muscles flex, how food is digested and how the human skeleton works. By shining a torch or holding the pages up to a light, children can reveal hidden details in the illustrations.

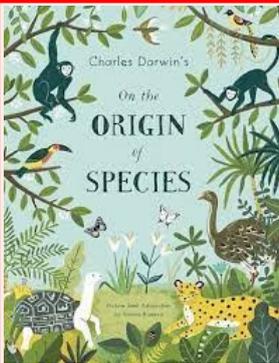
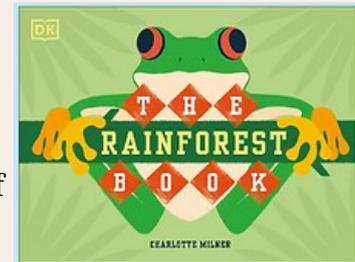


**Year 1&2: A Cat's Guide to the Night Sky by Stuart Atkinson**

This wonderful book introduced children to the beauty of the night sky. It guides children in becoming star gazers, teaching them what they will need and what to look for, while explaining the science behind what we see each night. The book introduces children to the planets we might catch a glimpse of, the constellations that fill our skies and teaches children how we have learned more about them over the centuries.

**Year 3&4: The Rainforest Book by Charlotte Milner**

Charlotte Milner's books allow children to explore our natural world in a bright and creative way. Each page is filled with detailed illustrations and diagrams, interesting facts and incredible figures. Learn about the huge collection of creatures and plants that occupy the rainforests and what we can do to protect them. If you like this book, be sure to check out 'The Bee Book' too!



**Year 5 & 6: Charles Darwin's Of the Origin of Species by Sabina Radeva**

Molecular biologist and illustrator, Sabina Radeva, has recreated Darwin's most famous work in this beautifully illustrated book, bringing the theory of evolution to life. The book also clarifies common misconceptions around evolution and encourages children to look at the world around them with a scientific lens. A well-presented and interesting read for both children and adults.

**Competition Time! Did you guess the characters I am described?**

1. He who must not be named... Lord Voldemort
2. If you give him a sock, he will be free! **Dobby!**
3. An exceptional witch with muggle parents... **Hermione Granger**
4. She can transfigure into a cat and is the head of Gryffindor! **Professor Minerva McGonagall**
5. He teaches Potions but would much rather teach Defence Against the Dark Arts! **Professor Severus Snape**
6. A professor you wouldn't like to meet on a full moon... **Professor Remus Lupin**