



Thaxted Newsletter has been written by the news team from Carroll Class. Children in Carroll Class have been roving reporters reporting on each day of Reading week. Each group has researched, interviewed children and written a paragraph towards the newsletter.



### **BREAKING NEWS!**

*(Reporters: Alice, Naïke, Lily-Rose and Skye)*

The staff would like to give a huge thank you to all the children and their families, who took part in the Usborne Read-A-Thon. The children raised an amazing £1529 over the half term and the first week back and many grown-ups sponsored them. With 60 % of the amount added on from Usborne, the school now have £2446 to spend on books.

A big thank you to Lorna Burkle, Suzi Wright and the PTA for organising and counting the money.

Roving reporters from Carroll Class (Alice, Lily-Rose, Naïke and Skye) had a meeting with Mrs Crompton to discuss what was going to be done with the money. Mrs Crompton has agreed that books are a good reward for all the reading. Therefore, the money will be split between all the classes (£270) and each child in the class will choose a book that they would like to add to their class book corner.

### **Reading Week**

*(Reporters: Eliza, Braxton, Junior and Joseph)*

Reading week was launched on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. It started when the superheroes (Major Read and Paige Turner) flew into assembly. Reading week is aimed at helping children to see the joy in reading for pleasure. The author Catherine Emmett visited the school on Tuesday and Quintus Benziger retold Alice Through The Looking Glass and the Jabberwocky with Year 6. Janina Vigurs, an inspirational storyteller, delighted reception children. Parents, governors and friends of Thaxted were invited to read with classes. On Wednesday, classes split with older and younger children reading together. On Thursday, the children looked amazing in their character costumes and enjoyed a lovely World Book Day themed lunch which included Bruce Bogtrotter's Chocolate Cake! Yummy!

### **UPCOMING DATES:**

**Story Writing competition  
from 3rd march—16th  
March**

**Yr2 Parents SATs meeting—  
8th March 2.30pm**

**Scholastic Book Fair 16th  
March—21st March**

### **Roald Dahl's World Book Day Lunch**



## **WORLD BOOK DAY AT THAXTED**

*On Thursday children and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters. Mrs Crompton, dressed as a Wonka bar from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, held an assembly so that the children could see each others' costumes.*

*Each class has been given a present of a mystery book. Mrs Billings has set a challenge to see how many children can read the book either with a parent or independently before the end of the summer term.*

*World Book Day was created by UNESCO on the 23rd of April 1995. World Book Day has been running for 28 years and over 100 countries participate in World Book Day to make children read more by dressing up as different characters from books.*

*World Book Day vouchers were given to each child and these can be exchanged for books or the value put towards a book. At school you can get books at our school fair event from the 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> March.*



*(Reporters: Carla, Sara, Billy, Alfie and Edward D)*

## **Catherine Emmett and Janina Vigurs**

*(Reporters: Flora, Poppy, Lucia, Clara)*

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 Catherine Emmett came into Thaxted Primary School and did an amazing assembly. In the assembly, she entertained the children by modelling how a story is made. She made plan of the story, drew pictures and got the teachers to act it out with the children. Also, she told the children how to publish books and how long it takes. Catherine Emmett went to the whole of KS1, who had work shops, crafts, activities and stories.



Janina Vigurs delighted the children in the reception classes with her wonderful story-telling.

## **THANK YOU!**

The staff and children would like to thank all the parents, friends and governors because they have come in to classes to share stories so the children can see reading from another perspective. As always, your support is appreciated. An extra thanks to Mr Benziger for working with Year 6. He shared a poem by Lewis Carroll called the Jabberwocky and also his version of the story Alice Through The Looking Glass.

*Reporters: Karthikaya, Zak, Edward V-S, Erika V-S and Lachlan*

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