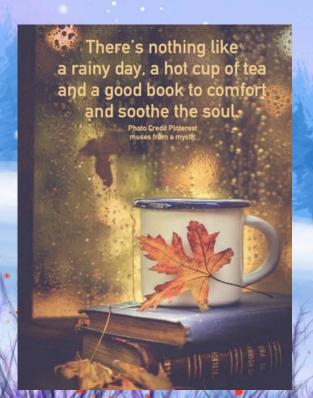




Book Journey January 2025

Books are a uniquely portable magic...

WHERE LEARNING TO READ BECOMES READING TO LEARN



Happy New Year to you all!

I hope you all got lots of lovely books for Christmas. Some children have already shared their new books with me this term.

This Book Journey is filled with all sorts of lovely books and I have tried to include links, where available, to interviews, video clips and even a 'Draw Along' series for the books featured.

From bumble bees to mischievous knights, this newsletter has the lot. So, sit back and browse through what is on offer - after all, with all the terrible weather recently, what could be better than snuggling down with a good book?

Mrs Smith

RESCUE AT SEAL BAY BY GILL LEWIS

A brand new adventurer series for young animal lovers! These stories centre around a girl called Tia who moves to the Haven Islands with her mum who has taken on the job as the island vet. Tia's mum needs help looking after all the island animals; the pets, the farm animals, and the wildlife. Of course, Tia is more than happy to lend a hand. Island life is wonderful with a close-knit community, a big friendly dog named Norman, sparkling seas and more than 30 flavours of icecream. But there is trouble too, with storms that roll in across the ocean, and visitors who drop litter and disturb the wildlife. And even though Tia and her mum live on the islands, they realise that they are connected to people and animals across the world. Irina Avgustinovich's illustrations capture the story perfectly.

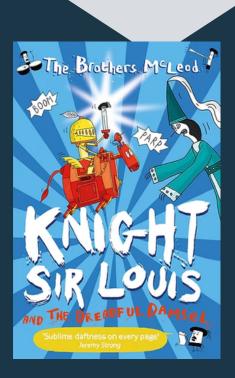
7+ READERS



CLICK THE LINK FOR AN INTERVIEW WITH THE AUTHOR

https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/blog/gill-lewis-on-her-brand-new-adventure-series-of-perfect-summer stories-for-young-animal-lovers-6689

Great for 6-9 year olds
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Sir Louis



WRITTEN BY TWO BROTHERS, GREG AND MYLES

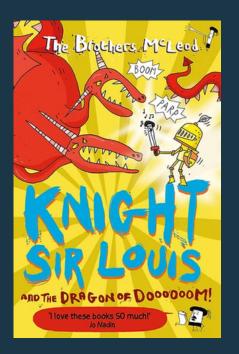
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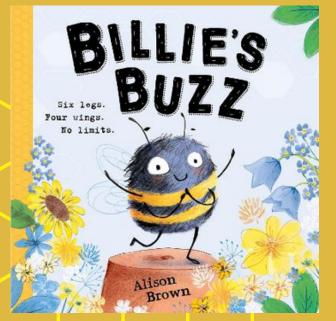
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If you like zany, actionpacked adventures full of armour, weapons, dastardly enemies and pint-sized heroes, then this series is for you.



"A bee-autiful story that's big on the aaah-factor"



Billie the bee is determined to take part in her local pet show. She teams up with a little boy looking for a pet and before you can say, 'get buzz-y' the two are in training.

When they get to the show, the boy has a piece of advice for Billie: don't buzz. He knows some people are funny about bees and sure enough, when Billie has to use her wings and starts buzzing, pandemonium breaks out. The two are disqualified but the boy's passionate, informed defence of bees has a bit impact on their fellow competitors

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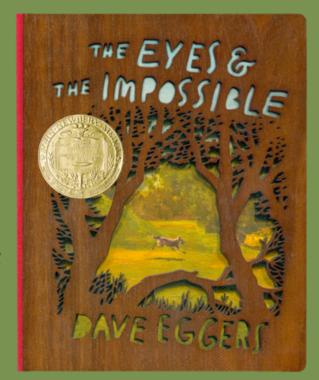
Rusty Fizzbang, vet to magical beasts, needs an apprentice. Ember Spark, looking for adventure, is his newest recruit. But keeping dragons and unicorns a secret isn't an easy task, especially with arch-villain, Jasper Hornswoggle, on your tail...

Click on the picture to hear the author read some of her books

KEEPING READING AND WRITING: STORIES MAKE US KINDER, BRAVER AND INFINITELY MORE INTERESTING.

THE EYES AND THE IMPOSSIBLE

'I am a dog called Johannes and I have seen you. I have seen you in this park, my home. If you have come to this park, my vast green and windblown park by the sea, I have seen you. I have seen everyone who has been here, the walkers and runners and bikers and horse-riders and the Bison-seekers and the picnickers and the archers in their cloaks. When you have come here you have come to my home,

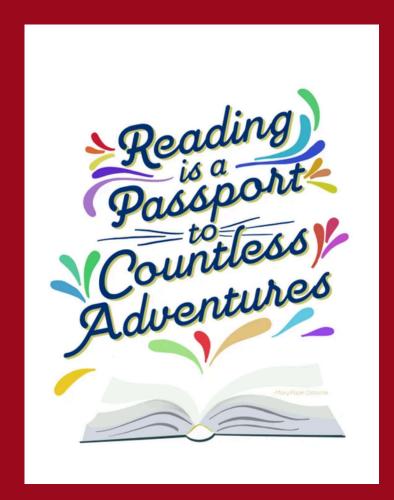


where I am the Eyes.'

WHAT A GREAT START TO A BOOK! OUR 9+
READERS ARE SURE TO ENJOY THIS TALE
ABOUT JOHANNES THE DOG.

CLICK BELOW TO SEE A TRAILER FOR THE BOOK





Thanks for joining me

ON MY BOOK JOURNEY

If you have a book to recommend, do let me or one of our librarians know and I will endeavour to include it in my next instalment. In the meantime, keep reading and I hope you have enjoyed the books I have shared with you this time.....

Mrs Smith