

JUNE



WANTED:

Good quality non-fiction, fiction and poetry books.

Reading Newsletter
By Mrs Moore

Did you know reading fiction has been associated with an increase in empathy and compassion?

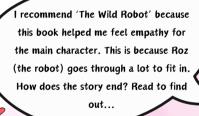


Diary Dates

6th June - Empathy Day

17th - 21st June - Refugee Week
Theme: Our Home

I have read many good books on empathy, but the book which I found most moving was 'Can you see me?' This is a story about a girl named Tally. She is neurodiverse and one of the most caring people in the book. This story has great power because once you read it you will never think of autism in the same way again.





Empathy is important for children because:

- 1. It promotes tolerance and acceptance of others.
- 2. Empathic children are more likely to <u>engage in</u> <u>positive behaviours</u>, like sharing and helping.

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3. It promotes <u>good mental health</u>.

I've read plenty of books about refugees, but my favourite by far is 'Once'. While reading the book, I found a certain compassion for the main character, Felix, and I couldn't put it down. It's a great book if you want something that is tear-jerking, but has a childlike innocence.

"To me, a home is where you feel loved, safe, and cherished."

Malala Yousafzai



GSA Reading Army

In September, we would like to bring back reading volunteers at The Good Shepherd. In July, there will be training for those of you who are interested. If you think you can give one hour a week, from September, please contact us: office@goodshepherd.notts.sch.uk this month. Thank you.



The introduction of the Reading Rewards has had a positive impact on Reading for Pleasure at our school. Please continue to encourage your children to record their reading in their diaries and on the list at the back.

Remember:

10 books = sticker 20 books = bookmark 40 books = badge

Everyone who achieves 40+ books will be entered into a prize draw, which will be announced in July, so keep reading!

This book made me cry

because it was sad when

they had to leave their refugee camp. Find this book in the library to find out more...

Top Librarian: Martha



I recommend No Ballet Shoes in Syria because I feel empathy for the main character (Aya) because she has to care for her mum, who is traumatised by war and having to flee her home. Aya's dad remains lost too. It is a powerful book!





READING FOR PLEASURE **CLASS OF THE MONTH:**

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