

-thank you

A HUGE thank you to all of our amazing reading volunteers, who attended training last week. We are blessed to have your service.

Thank you to Ann, Katie, Izabella, Faye,
Danielle, Jane, Marisa, Michelle, Laura and Mario. The children are so excited to have you with us.

If you are interested in volunteering, please speak to Caroline in the office.

SAVE TO DAT

Join us from December 1st until Christmas Eve for a month of our favourite festive stories. Santa will make a special appearance on December 24th.

Find us using the QR code daily.



NICE:

If you have any Christmas books, suitable for K\$1 or K\$2, please donate them to us as soon as possible. We are currently on the 'nice list' so if you would like to treat us to some festive fiction, use the QR code.



For Christmas, I would like the book, 'My Secret Unicorn.'

I'm hoping for 'Harry

Potter & The

Philosopher's Stone

'Weird but True 2025'
but it may not be out
until January...

Wimpy Kid - The Deep End' is at the top of my list!



I would love to receive 'Lottie Brooks' Essential Guide to Life.'



Please can I have 'David Walliams' 'The Beast'?



Which books are you hoping for under your tree this year?

Harry Potter & The
Half-Blood Prince is on
my wishlist!



I am hoping for 'The Haunting of Aveline Jones'





National Literacy Trust

Change your story







"A book is like a garden.
carried in the pocket."

— Chinese Proverb

Each year, the National Literacy Trust speak to 40,000 8-18 year olds about reading. Here are the key findings for 2024:

- The number of children and young people who say they enjoy reading, and read daily, in their free time continues to decline.
- Just 1 in 3 (34.6%) children and young people aged 8 to 18 said they enjoyed reading in 2024. This is the lowest level since we first asked the question in 2005.
- Only 1 in 5 (20.5%) children and young people aged 8 to 18 said that they read daily, again, the lowest levels since 2005

So how can we help at The Good Shepherd?

- Continue to read to and with your children at home.
- Visit your local library.
- Be a role model and pick up a book instead of a mobile phone or tablet. Why not set aside some family reading time?
- Read with older children. Even in Year Six, our children love to listen to a story.



What do you think this
Chinese Proverb means?
Write your answers down
and hand in to Mrs Moore
by December 9th.



Competition:

Get a Book-Vent quiz sheet from your class teacher. Each day, write down the name of the reader and the book. Hand in to your teacher in January for a chance to win a book





Can you solve this riddle?

I'm not a bird, but I can fly, with magic dust, I light up the sky. I help deliver gifts, one by one, but when Christmas is over, my job is done.

What am I?