



# BLPS - Reading Rocks!

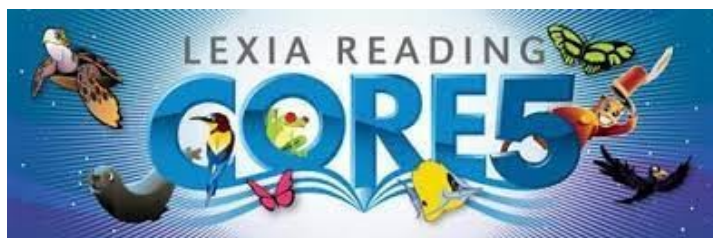
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Welcome to this term's edition of Reading Rocks which features just a few of the many reading achievements and activities going on in and around school. We have new awards, competition winners, students whizzing through their LEXIA levels which also reminds me of our fabulous Word Wizards who are reading thousands of words too!

We have a copy of this reading newsletter also on our school website which can be found at:

<https://www.bullionlane.durham.sch.uk/>



**LEXIA is a brilliant way for children to become better at reading and spellings. There are 21 levels and we celebrate everyone's achievements. Here are this terms top students who have all gone up at least one level.**

**Year 1:** Mollie Middlemas, Poppy Washbrooke, Siera Simon, William Clifford, Harper McDermott, Jaxon Honor, Carrie Wilson and Thomas Ross.

**Year 2:** Meghan Mallaby, Scarlett Morgan, Caiden Johnson, Isaac Dodds.

**Year 3:** Ayesha Kumar, Hayden Scott, Oliver Wright, Lexi Ferguson, Miruna Puscasu, James Barrow, Jaxon Hart, Ollie Quinn, Layla Mordy, Lewis Bartle, Charlie Smith, Jasmine Burns, James Holding, Harrison Morgan, Aurora Brennan, Heidi McGuffie, Robert Donnelly, Jacob Wilkinson and Heidi Pattinson

**Year 4:** Thomas Petit, Rohan Curry, Sirat Kaur, Cody Spinks, Lily-Rose Craggs and Mollie Folwell

**Year 5:** Billy Cooke, Nermeen Almasri, Olivia Johnson, Lydia Watkins, Joshua Hall, Ruby Ross, Riley Reeve and Francesca Watson.

**Year 6:** Charlotte Atkinson, Spencer Hunt, Sophie Croud, Kaiden-Leigh Chell, Lexi Norrie, Harley Hunt, Muhammed-Ali Bagkesen, Jack Murray, Lewis Fullerton, Cameron Mulgrew and Thalia Wilkinson.

## Accelerated Reading

Accelerated Reader (AR) is a reading management and monitoring programme that aims to foster independent reading. The internet-based software assesses reading age, and suggests books that match pupils' needs and interests. Pupils take computerised quizzes on the books and earn AR points as they progress.

This term our reading wizards are:

Layla Quinn, Lexis Norrie, Tyler Cummings and William Murphy with the overall term winner being Layla Quinn with a mind boggling 251,227 words (pewh!)

Also applause please for those who have achieved Accelerated Reading Certificate this term:

Charlotte Atkinson, Kayden-Leigh Chell, Ellie-Mae Cox, Sophie Croud, Freddie Crudginton, Tyler Cummings, Amelia Devlin, Lewis Fullerton, Ebony Hart, Amelia Kielty, Nicola Lisle, Kara Marshall, Cameron Mulgrew, William Murphy, Alexis Norrie, Harry Pattinson, Layla Quinn and Gabriel Thompson.



## Handy Websites

Check these out for more information on reading at home with your child.

### Book Trust

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

### Oxford Reading

Owl <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

### Literacy Trust

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/>



## Free Book Friday

Every Friday during our Celebration Assembly we find out who has been selected to be our class readers of the week, in addition we also celebrate those wonderful Word Wizards who read thousands of words on a weekly basis. To recognise these brilliant achievements, students can now choose a free book of their choice to keep forever! This is a super incentive to make reading not only fun but purposeful. Here are some of our winners.



We have been lucky to have won some fabulous books this term which the children and teachers have been very excited about! The competition was run by Twinkl and Penguin books and was called Lit in Colour.



**CONGRATULATIONS** to this term's reading competition entry winners who were chosen for their brilliant work around the World

Cup Football. Years 5 and 6 had to draw their favourite football hero while younger students demonstrated their colouring in skills thinking about diversity. The results were super and demonstrated that it doesn't matter how we look, we are all different and we are all part of a bigger team. Well done! Winners could choose from a selection of football books including Marcus Rashford's latest titles while our top winners won a title from the Ultimate Football Hero series. You can check out their cool website which features games and free printables here:

<https://heroesfootball.com/>

Winners 1st place to Riley Robinson and James Hunt.

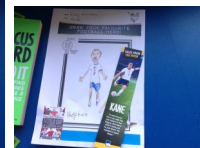
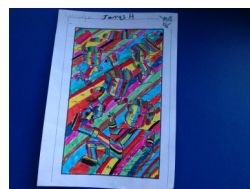
Runners up : Ayesha Kumar, Aurora Brennan, Ava Ozor, Oliver Duke, Heidi Pattinson, Lydia Watkins, Jack Murray, Ella Coulson, Olivia Johnson, Jay Ellison.

Very well done to all those who took part and good luck for our next book competition which will be in Spring term 1.

## Reading Spotlight

This Term students have agreed to let you see what they have been reading from the school's SECRET LIBRARY! A small, very popular, second library in our school that no one really knows where it is. It is hidden in plain sight! Die hard bibliophiles (posh word for book lovers) gather each week to swap books over, find out what is new, discover new genres and perhaps pick up a reading bug or free gift. Watch this space for more news in the coming editions.

William Murphy tries out a new semi-graphic novel, Tyler Cummings always hunts his favorite football heroes out and Ellie Coulson has just become a fan of Bad Nana which makes her laugh!



**Finally, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Bullion Lane Primary School.**

### BOOK DONATIONS

A huge thankyou to Ollie Quinn and Ayesha Kumar for bringing in books. If you have any you have outgrown we would love to put them to good use in our various reading projects in school.

