

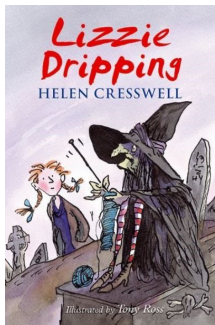


# Reading Newsletter Book Week.

I do enjoy Book Week. A whole week to talk about books, share books, celebrate a love of reading; what's not to love!

I am sure many of you will come dressed up on World Book Day as a favourite book character. I have my costume ready. I wonder who it might be?

I have three books I wish to recommend to you around the theme of unlikely friendships!

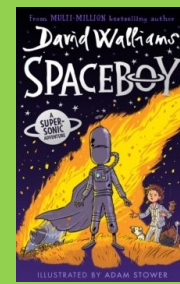


**Lizzie Dripping by Helen Cresswell.** Everyone in the village where Lizzie lives thinks that she's a dreamer - so it's no wonder that they don't believe her when she says she's seen a witch. But Lizzie doesn't care because she knows it's true and having a witch for a friend makes life much more exciting. This is a story classic, full of fun for all to enjoy.

**Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo.** After a storm, Michael is washed overboard of his parent's yacht and finds himself marooned on a distant island with a Japanese soldier who survived the Hiroshima bombing. They form an unlikely friendship as Michael plans a dangerous quest to find his parents again.



**Stig of the Dump by Clive King.** One of my real favourite books. I have probably recommended it before but it is worth recommending again as it is that good! The unlikely friendship between Barney and Stig are central to this wonderful story. One day Barney tumbles over into a sort of cave, and meets somebody with shaggy hair wearing a rabbit-skin and speaking in grunts. His names him Stig. Together they raid the rubbish dump at the bottom of the pit, improve Stig's cave dwelling, and enjoy a series of adventures.



No.1 bestselling author **David Walliams** is back with this cinematic adventure full of mystery, action, laughs and surprises - and a secret that could change the course of history. Fans of all his previous books will love **Spaceboy**. Also look out for his new book, coming soon, **Robodog!**



## My Book Choices By Mrs Breen

Mrs Breen is our School Librarian!

*What was your favourite book to read as a child?*

The Narnia books by CS Lewis, but in particular The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. My parents had a large, dark wood wardrobe in their bedroom which I imagined was a secret entrance to Narnia, like in the book. One step in and I would be visiting Mr Tumnus for tea with Lucy, both characters from the series.

*Who was your favourite book character and why?*

When I was little it was



Mrs Pepperpot; I would love it when my teacher, Miss Stokes, read her adventures to us. Now I'm grown up (sort of!) I love Amy from Little Woman,

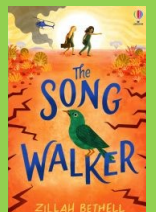
most people prefer Jo but I like that Amy is also strong and independent in a time when women were meant to be quiet and meek!

*What is the best thing about being our School Librarian?*

I love it when a child really enjoys a book, so much so they can't wait to tell you!

*What book would you like to read next?*

I am on the waiting list for The Song Walker by Zillah Bethell, I enjoyed The Shark Caller by her and have read some fabulous reviews of her latest book which is due on in February. In fact, I'm hoping to have it by World Book Day to read to the children who visit the library.



PETER LANTOS

A story of love, hope and survival

THE BOY WHO DIDN'T WANT TO DIE



The story of an extraordinary journey, made by Peter, a boy of five, through war-torn Europe. This is a story of survival, of love between mother and son and of enduring hope in the face of unspeakable hardship.



I remember reading this one when I was at school!

**The Ghost of Thomas Kemp** by Penelope Lively. When the Harrison family moves into an old cottage, they are plagued by the ghost of a

sorcerer who once lived there. James knows what is going on, but his parents will take some convincing!

Are you a fan of the **Barry Loser** books? There are several of them in our school library for you to enjoy! They are really keel!

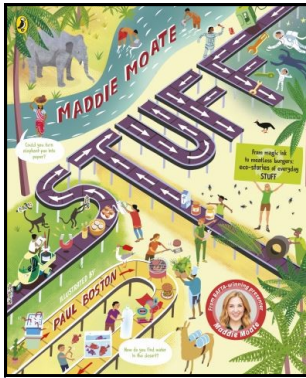
Look out for the brand new adventure for Barry, by **Jim Smith**, called **Barry Loser Action Hero!** Full of short tales featuring the antics of Barry in which his dad turns into a drinks machine and he has to listen to a very long and boring story! The usual crazy fun.

Check out Jim Smith on twitter... <https://twitter.com/barryloser?lang=en>

Don't forget to look for other books by Jim Smith too; the Super Weird series and Future Ratboy!

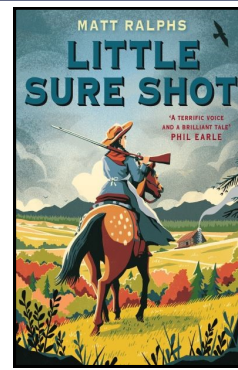


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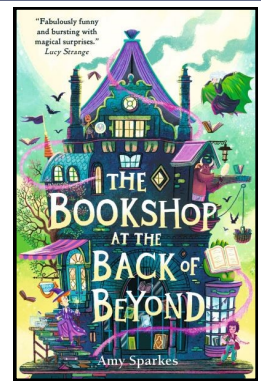
Stuff by Maddie Moate.

An illustrated book of facts about how people around the world make things using unusual resources in an eco-friendly way..



Little Sure Shot by Matt Ralphs.

Based on her real life, a novel examining the poverty-stricken childhood and adult success of Annie Oakley.



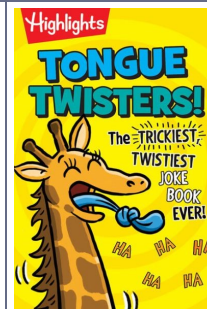
The Bookshop at the Back of Beyond.

When Professor Dish got trapped by the greedy witch, Ophidia, Nine and her friends try to rescue him.



The Night Animals by Sarah Ann Jukes.

Nora sees ghost animals and discovers that they are trying to tell her something important about seeking help when you need to.



Tongue Twisters (Highlights book).

An illustrated collection of animal jokes.

'Never cram a lamb and a ram in a van!'

### Book Week Fun Quiz

1. Name the race of small people who help Willy Wonka operate his factory in *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*?
2. Who wrote the book that follows the antics of Peter Rabbit as he is chased about the garden of Mr. McGregor?
3. Who lives in a children's residential care home nicknamed "The Dumping Ground"?
4. Mildred Hubble is a major character in which book series by Jill Murphy?
5. Who does Ben hate staying with every Friday night when his parents go to see a dancing show named "Strictly Stars Dancing"? (Hint: its a book by David Walliams)
6. What sort of food does Paddington Bear like?
7. Carlo Collodi created which famous children's character?
8. The White Witch who rules Narnia made it always winter but never what?
9. Which series of books by Jeff Kinney are the journals of Greg Heffley?
10. Sophie uses her local knowledge to take the BFG to which location in London?

10. Buckingham Palace (The BFG by Roald Dahl)
9. Diary of a Wimpy Kid
8. Never Christmas
7. Pinocchio
6. Marmalade

5. His Granny (Gangsta Granny)
4. The Worst Witch.
3. Tracy Beaker (By Jacqueline Wilson)
2. Beatrix Potter (The Tale of Peter Rabbit)
1. Compa-Loompas

Thank you for reading!!  
Mr Rotherham.