

# **Reading Newsletter**.

# I have just finished reading Where the River Takes Us

by Lesley Parr. It is a great story about friendship and a hunt for a wild beast which is roaming amid the Welsh mountains. I loved it more because it is set in the 1970's and so there were references to things which took me back to my childhood... Chopper bikes, Wrestling on the World of Sport on a Saturday and a chocolate bar called



Topic! Books can be a great way to remember a place or special time.

As we approach the Summer holidays, I will encourage you to find a good book to read, to enjoy and to make special reading memories.



Kall I have read two books by the author Nizrana Farook.

The Girl who stole an Elephant and The Boy who met a Whale. Her new book is on my wish list to read... The Girl who Lost a Leopard. Apparently it is, 'a fast paced story about the value of

conservation that will leave you spellbound!' Can't wait!

**Phil Earle** has written three brilliant books now and they are all great reads. His latest, While the Storm **Rages** is a story about great courage amidst the Second World War. Noah and Clem are determined that their pets will not suffer during the war despite the horror all around them. A book to tug at the heartstrings.



Also, check out When the Sky Falls and Until the Road Ends.



## My Book Choices By Mrs Parker

What was your favourite book to read as a child?

My favourite book to read as a child was 'The Magic Faraway Tree' by Enid Blyton. I absolutely loved finding out what the next magical land would be - the 'Land of Goodies' was one of my favourites. I loved the characters - Moonface and Saucepan Man particularly stood out as interesting characters. Also - who doesn't like the idea of having a Slippery -Slip huge slide down the centre of the tree? I still dream of having a go on that slide now!

Who is your favourite book character and why?

My favourite book character is Charlie Bucket. Charlie is a very poor, humble, kind-hearted and loyal boy. He never asked for anything and was truly satisfied with the life he led with his family. He truly deserved that magical trip to the chocolate factory. His splendid character kept him safe and sound during the trip to the factory and because of his good nature he reaped the rewards from Willy Wo'nka!

If you could only keep the copy of one book which one would it be?



Donaldson. I never read this when I was a child but it was a firm favourite of my

three children when they we're younger. The book bring's back very special memories of reading together and us all learning the words to the book off by heart.

Which children's book would you like to read that you have never got around to reading?

I have not yet read any of the Alex Rider books

but I hear such great reports about them from children in my class. I actually have 'Stormbreaker' at home so I am looking forward to reading that book



# 4 Doggy Tails!



Michael, The Amazing Mind Reading Sausage Dog by Terrie Chilvers.

**TERRIE CULLVERS** Who has 'su- paw -star' skills!



Dogs of the Deadlands by Anthony McGowan. In the aftermath of Chernobyl. This is a tale of human and animal resilience, hope and courage when the

world appears a dangerous place.

Now here is a classic story most of you will know from the Disney film. The Hundred and One Dalmatians by Dodie Smith. Cruella de Vil has got to be

Dodie Smith The HUNDRED AND ONE DALMATIANS

one of the best baddies in any book! She is enough to scare the spots off all these puppies. Why not enjoy the story all over again.

Did you know there was a sequel book also by Dodie Smith called **Starlight Barking**?



Finally a wonderful picture book.. The **Dog that ate the World by Sandra Dieckmann**. A gorgeous book from cover to cover with illustrations by the author. An adorable story that will make you smile and make your tail wag!

Here are 3 great summer holiday books to enjoy! Perfect for a sunny lazy day in the garden or by the pool!

### The Case of the Lighthouse Intruder by Kereen Green.

Fayson and her mother live in a small city apartment in Jamaica, Reluctantly she agrees to spend the holidays with her annoying twin cousins, but worries that she'll feel out of place in their fancy holiday home on an island off the Jamaican coast. As well as honing her detective skills, Fayson learns that being wealthy doesn't necessarily make people happy, as the most valuable things in life, such as love, kindness and friendship, can't be bought.

### The Shop of Impossible Ice Creams by Shane Hegarty.

Discover a delicious world of magical adventure . Anyone fancy mushroom and tuna ice cream,? Roast parsnip and gravy? Ugh! Limpet just wants vanilla. When Wicked Mr Fluffy comes to town, Limpet has to fight back to protect his mum's shop! A funny story to enjoy. Make sure not to drop your ice cream on the page of the book though!



Author, **Charlie Higson** gives us **Worst Holiday Ever** to enjoy. Funniest Story Ever! At least that is what is says on the cover of the book! The story of poor Stan and his hilarious holiday to Italy The author of The Goldfish Boy, Lisa Thompson said 'it made me cry with laughter and my heart ache. ' High praise for a summer holiday treat!







Thank you for reading. Have a lovely holiday! Mr Rotherham.