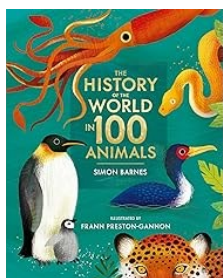




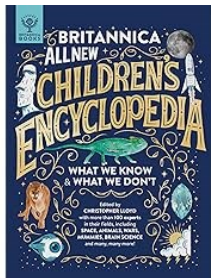
Reading Newsletter.

I hope you enjoy this copy of our reading Newsletter with a definite Christmas theme to it. You might be thinking of writing your list to Father Christmas? I wonder if any of you will include a book on your list? What book would you like to receive as a Christmas gift? I remember getting an Encyclopedia one Christmas full of amazing facts. I bet most of you rely on Google to get your information now- but when I was young we had no Google and an Encyclopedia was the best way to learn lots of new things about the world.

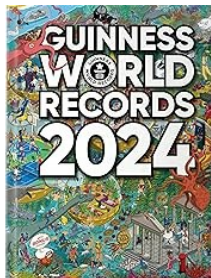
Here are three great non-fiction books full of amazing facts you might enjoy.



The History of the World in 100 Animals by Simon Barnes. For lovers of animals and for history buffs this is perfect! A truly wonderful book which would make a very special gift.



Children's Encyclopedia. What we know and what we don't! Just the kind of book I would have loved. A great book, which will be read and enjoyed by the whole family! 416 knowledge bursting pages of fun!



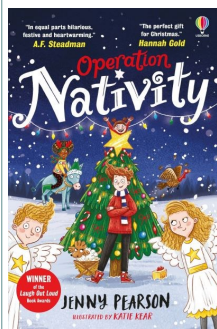
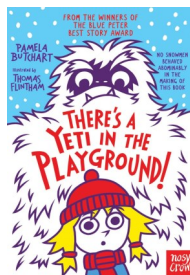
The Guinness World Records 2024. This is such a firm favourite with everyone and has been a popular book since its first edition in 1955. You always find something amazing when you dive into the pages!



Lots of you are huge fans of The Christmasaurus by Tom Fletcher. It's a festive favourite! Look out for his wonderful new book **A Christmasaurus Carol**. Enjoy the adventures of William Trundle and the Christmasaurus as they save Christmas from old Ba Humbug himself, Scrooge! A great new book for 2023.

There's a Yeti in the Playground by Pamela Butchart

Snow is falling fast and Izzy is hoping that school will close early BUT then they hear strange noises from the playground. It's a Yeti and the Yeti is hungry! Snowy school fun.



Operation Nativity by Jenny Pearson. When Oscar and Molly rush outside to investigate a massive crash in the night, they're not expecting to find a dazed Angel Gabriel wandering around their grandparents' back garden. And they're certainly not expecting to find them selves in a race against time to save Christmas. A deserving winner of the 'Laugh out loud' Award.

My Book Choices By Mrs Henderson

What was your favourite book to read as a child?

My favourite book was Mrs Pepperpot by Alf Proysen. I loved all her exciting adventures. Mrs Pepperpot can't choose when she shrinks, it just happens and she finds herself in all sorts of trouble!



What was the best book you ever received as a gift?

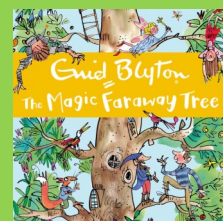
War Horse by Michael Morpurgo was my best ever gift. It is an endearing story based on true facts about a Joey, the horse during World War 1. Its an emotional and heartwarming story. Always a lovely read.

Who is your favourite character and why?

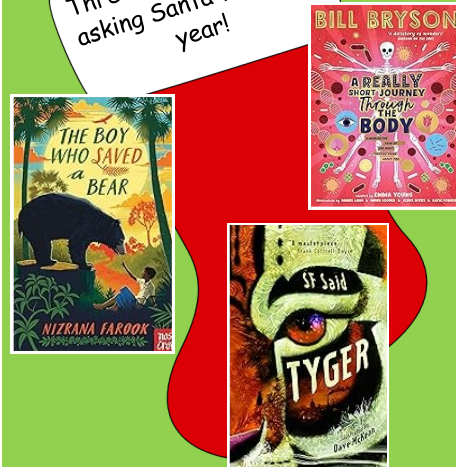
Charlie Bucket from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is my favourite. He is a kind-hearted 11 year old, wise beyond his years. He is a shining star amongst a group of spoilt children.

What book would you like Santa to bring you this year?

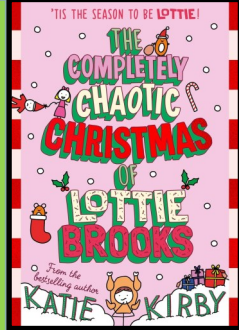
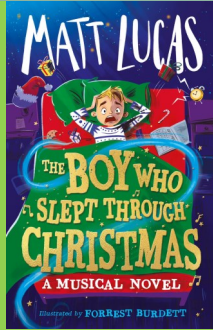
I would love it if he brought me The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton. I have never read this book and it was highly recommended by Mrs Stanley. She told me it was her most favourite book; so I would love it to be my favourite too! I have sent my list to Santa and written The Magic Faraway Tree on the top of the list.



Three books I will be asking Santa for this year!



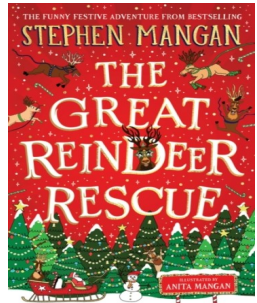
Matt Lucas, famous from the television, brings you his funny festive, musical story, **The Boy who Slept Through Christmas!** The fairylights are in a tangle, the tree's wonky and the Christmas biscuits taste AWFUL. Leo decides he's had enough - he makes a heartfelt wish that it would all GO AWAY. When Leo wakes up on Christmas morning - it's gone!! All of Christmas! But Leo isn't going to let it get away that easily.



The Completely Chaotic Christmas of Lottie Brooks by Katie Kirby. Lottie Brooks LOVES Christmas - there's presents, all the KitKat Chunkys you can eat AND no school for two weeks! But this year, Christmas might be a bit more chaotic than usual. The whole Brooks family are visiting for the festive break (along with some surprise visitors...), there's a Secret Santa to organise, and the hammies won't stop attacking Gavin, the Elf on the Shelf! Lottie continues to keep a diary of her embarrassing moments in this fun book.

The Great Reindeer Rescue by Stephen Mangan.

Dave, one of Santa's new reindeer is fed up. Always stuck behind Rudolph, just waiting for his turn to shine! Then his turn comes when catastrophe strikes which could ruin Christmas for everyone. Its all down to Dave and a girl called Holly to save Christmas and get all the reindeer back for Santa.



Guess the Book or Character...


C is for 

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DISCOVER A MAGICAL ADVENTURE OF BRAVERY AND FRIENDSHIP TO WARM THE WHOLE FAMILY'S HEARTS THIS CHRISTMAS...

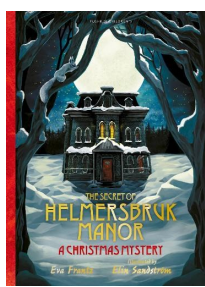



Featuring striking two-colour artwork from award-winning illustrator, MELISSA CASTRILLÓN

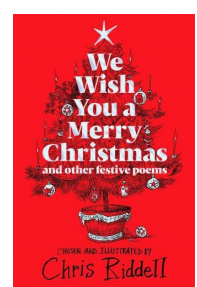
The Snow Girl by Sophie Anderson is a fairy-tale story of bravery, friendship and belonging an adventure through a sparkling winter wonderland. It's the perfect read for all the family this Christmas.



A Very Curious Christmas by Maddie Moate Have you ever wondered why crackers go bang? Or where Christmas trees come from? Or why brussels sprouts make you trump? Maddie Moate is here to answer these questions and many more!



The Secret of Helmersbruk Manor by Eva Frantz. Flora is determined to unravel the secrets of Helmersbruk Manor - but as the clock ticks down to Christmas, Flora must solve the mystery before time runs out! An enchanting Christmas mystery.



We Wish You a Merry Christmas is a festive anthology of poems and rhymes collected by Chris Riddell. Good tidings we bring to you and your kin! Oh, bring us some figgy pudding!

Last recommendation for 2023 is **The Miraculous Sweetmakers** by Natasha Hastings. Two girls, the 1683 Frost Fair and a wicked conjuror!



'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.'

Miss Trunchball / The Mad Hatter / Awful Auntie / Skandar the Unicorn Thief / Charlie and the Chocolate factory / Harry Potter / The Iron Man / The Snow Queen

Thank you for reading and Merry Christmas Mr Rotherham.