



## Reading at Sherwood Newsletter

### Spring 2020

Welcome to our first termly newsletter with information and tips for home

**What is your favourite book?** My favourite is Drama Queen from the Dork Diaries series. It lifts my mood. I can picture the characters in my head and the storyline is clear.

**Where do you like to read?** My favourite place in school is the class reading corner and at home, in bed. I like it being cosy and quiet!

**What are you reading at the moment?** An Eagle in the Snow by Michael Morpurgo. It is a pleasant story set in 1940 and inspired by a true story.

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#### Key dates:

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Reading Café for years 5 and 6 (2.30pm)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Book Fair

#### Interview with Miss Bennett

My favourite book as a child was Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian. I've always loved history. I am currently reading Lud in the Mist by Hope Mirrlees. It was written in the 1920s and is a fairy story full of dark and spooky twists. My main reading tip is to read widely on a topic you love and don't pay much attention to the front cover!

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Reading Tips

Getting ready to read

- Let your child hold the book
- Choose somewhere calm and quiet without distractions
- Read the title and the blurb on the back together and talk about the story

While Reading

- If they need to, let them point to the words as they read
- Encourage them to read in the voice of the character

If they get stuck

- Wait for 6 seconds - they may be trying to work it out
- Encourage them to sound the word out or to read it again
- Wait again. If they still don't know, tell them the word

After reading

- Talk about what they have read
- Ask questions - encourage them to have a conversation rather than answer 'yes' or 'no'
- Ask them what they thought about it
- Give lots of verbal praise about their reading

**Please remember to sign your child's reading diary. Children can then be awarded reading certificates and badges according to how many times they read at home. See the diary for more details.**

