# Reading at Stanton

Dear the Children of SSQ,

Hello everyone! What a strange time we are living through, but I hope you are all well and staying safe. We really miss you at school and so do the books! So I thought I would get in touch to talk a little about my very favourite subject- reading! If you are not already, why not use this time to enjoy some good books? As always, reading is so very important and so very special too. Reading is a way of entering a new world, especially when you are isolated in your own home.

### **Introducing the Stanton Summer Term Reading Challenge!**

Throughout Term 5 and 6 we would like you, the children of Stanton, to take part in our Stanton Summer Reading Challenge. The challenge is to read as many different books that match the description on the list. For each entry you will need to find a different book. There is a reading challenge for Reception/KS1 and KS2- please select the correct challenge according to your year group. If you would like some inspiration for what to read, I have included a list of recommended reads for each key stage. You will also find some great reads according to genre on the 'Reading Roads'.

These may be books that you read independently or books you share with an adult. Don't forget to recommend favourite books to a friend or to ask Mrs Anderson for a book recommendation!

All children that take part will receive a certificate, with other awards also being given for particular special efforts.

Good luck and happy reading!

Mrs Anderson

## Other ideas to immerse yourself in all things reading and writing!

As always, please ensure your child remains safe online. Online adverts can appear on certain websites.



The World Book Day website have some fantastic 'Stay at Home Ideas' (including games, making a book character, design next year's book token competition, activity of the week, bedtime stories, Author and Illustrator master classes and lots more!)

https://www.worldbookday.com/2020/03/book-ideas-hub-brilliant-stay-at-home-ideas-free-resources/

**BookTrust HomeTime**- a really fantastic resource created in light of lockdown. Lots of online book readings (with signing), illustration guides, games and more. <a href="https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/">https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/</a>

**Pie Corbett Radio Blogging**- a children's radio station. Daily shows with interactive activities to keep everyone busy and engaged, brought to you by Pie Corbett and other guests. Just listen and blog, it's live, fun and interactive with new educational tasks each day with a focus on reading and writing.

https://radioblogging.net/

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**Learn how to be a storyteller-** follow this great guide and practise your story telling skills before trying them out on someone else.

https://ads.dennisnet.co.uk/subs/2020/TWJ/MAR/Activity%20hub/116%20celestron%20ad%20pdf%20for%20LB.pdf

#### Cressida Cowell reads her fantastic book, 'How to Train a Dragon'-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DyUNZa7\_Gjo&list=PLE5MZB5pedUMNJLdgu0wYaSlL0dRLHcU0&index=1

#### Access books to read online:

Amazon Audible have released some free books to listen to online: https://stories.audible.com/start-listen

Free classic children's literature to read online for KS1 and KS2 <a href="https://bygosh.com/">https://bygosh.com/</a>

#### **COMING SOON...**

### **Vocabulary Challenge**

Prior to our school closure, we were in full swing of learning a new word every week across the school. We have been learning words such as; laborious, tempestuous, irresistible and sumptuous to name a few. Learning these words has been widening your vocabulary bank and providing you with new and exciting vocabulary to use in your speech and writing.



Even though school is currently closed, we think it is really important to continue to learn a new word every week. Mrs Anderson shall therefore be posting a video on the school website every week (commencing 20/4/20) with a new word and activities to learn and use your word of the week.

Once you have taken part in the video clip, we challenge you to comment on the newsfeed with your very best sentence that uses our word of the week. Each week we shall select the best sentence as our weekly winner.

You may also wish to complete the Word of the Week Activity page. Send completed/a photo of completed activities to your class email address.

Happy Word Learning!