

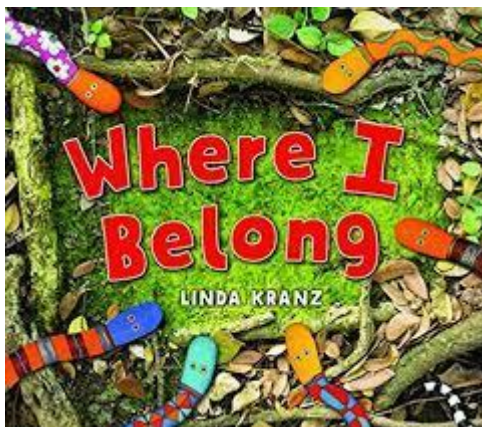


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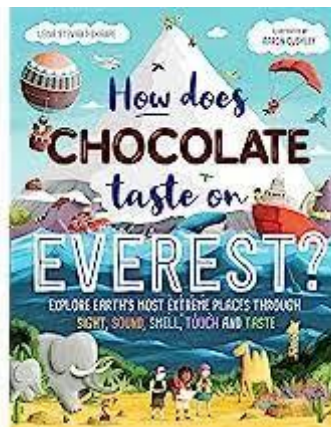
Small and mighty is the Warbstow Way

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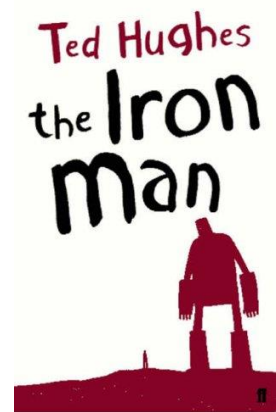
Welcome to your weekly newsletter. I hope you are looking forward to the weekend ahead after a hard working week at school! I would like to take this opportunity to promote and celebrate our culture of reading in school. Our curriculum is based around high quality texts that aim to inspire, ignite and celebrate the wonderful world of books. Currently we are reading...



Paddington Class



Attenborough Class



Earhart Class

We also, as you know teach reading and comprehension skills throughout the school. Reading is a life skill and opens up a world of knowledge and opportunity. And we know the best readers are the best writers! In order for your child to progress with their reading, whatever their age, they need regular practice at home. We ask that your child reads to you each night in EYFS and KS1 and reads to an adult or themselves in KS2. Reading to your child is also hugely beneficial Please then sign the reading record to let us know how you are getting on. We are becoming increasingly concerned that a growing number of children are not reading at home. I will be holding an information session around reading after the half term break but please do follow this link for more information.

[ten_top_tips.pdf \(rmt-docs.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://rmt-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/ten_top_tips.pdf)

Reading books, comics, signs, newspapers, leaflets, library books are all excellent opportunities to practice. We have been lucky enough to stock our library with many new books, thanks to your fundraising efforts last year. The children are really enjoying choosing from our new selection.

Thank you for your ongoing support, Mrs Bancroft

Things you need to know for next week...

Tuesday – Y3/4 swimming. Bring swim wear and towel to school to change at lunch.

Tuesday – PAFC after school club.

Wednesday – Attenborough Wild Tribe, wellies and waterproofs required. If your child does not have the kit they will be unable to participate.

Thursday – Craft club will still run if your child would like to attend rather than join the Harvest gathering.

Friday – INSET day

Year 5 & 6 Residential trip parent meeting – Monday 16th October 3:30-4pm

I will be outlining the trip plans in an information session on Monday afternoon. Do come along with your child and hear about the exciting opportunity. We are booked to go to Adventure Okehampton in June 2024. We're excited already!

Harvest Festival and Food Bank donation – Thursday 19th October

As in past years we are collecting donations for Launceston Food Bank which we will display at our Harvest Festival on Thursday 19th October at 2.45pm. The children will be busy perfecting their singing over the next week, and we welcome you to join us. Donations of tinned and dried goods, toiletries and store cupboard staples for Launceston Food Bank can be made to the office from next week.

PTA Harvest Gathering – Thursday 19th October 3:30pm

Following the Harvest Festival, the PTA are holding a Harvest Gathering at the Community Hall. A chance to catch up with friends over a drink and piece of cake at the end of half term. There will be lots for the children to do, tombola, lucky dip, colouring and the first second hand uniform sale.

If anyone has a good quality second hand books they can donate to the book sale or a can make a cake for the cake stall it will be very much appreciated. Thank you.

Please note your child will be need to be supervised by a parent/carers at the event.

A plea...

The safety of the children at school is always our main concern, our gates open at 8:40am and the children then become our responsibility. If you arrive at school before 8:40am they remain your responsibility. Please can you supervise your child outside until the gates are opened.

Drinks... it is important for the children to stay hydrated during their school day. We encourage the children to drink water throughout the day. Squash and juice are not ideal substitutes to water and lead to many sticky messes. Please do not send Prime or water in Prime bottles into school, this is not the healthy message we want to give our children.

Tempest Photo Orders

All Tempest photo orders are placed online this year. The closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 22nd October**. Orders are made through the Tempest website using your unique reference printed on your sample picture. www.tempest-orders.co.uk

Uniform and Lost Property

Smart for learning is a phrase that we like in school! Thank you for the efforts being made in sending your child into school in smart uniform. A gentle reminder that elaborate and brightly coloured hair bands are not part of our uniform policy.

There are a selection of unnamed jumpers that have been handed to the office. If your child is missing one please see Mrs Shute. Any unclaimed jumpers will be added to the second hand clothes sale at the Harvest Gathering on Thursday 19th October. Labelled items can quickly be returned to their owners.

Xmas4schools Fundraising

Pupils are creating a piece of artwork that can be turned into professionally printed Christmas cards, tea towels, mugs and calendars by Xmas4schools. £1 from every order will come back to the school.

Please use the link below to give consent to Mrs Shute completing your parental information on your child's art. <https://forms.office.com/e/h5v2PuUXY1>

You will then receive an email or text with a link to your child's art and the online ordering platform.

Dates

16th Oct – Y5/6 Residential trip meeting
19th Oct – Harvest Festival
19th Oct – 3:30pm PTA Harvest Gathering
20th Oct – INSET Day
23rd -27th Oct- Half Term
7th Nov – Parents Consultation Meetings
9th Nov – Parents Consultation Meetings
1st Dec – PTA Willow Wreath making
5th Dec – Paddington and Attenborough Christmas Play
12th Dec – Christingle Service
13th Dec – Christmas Lunch
15th Dec – Christmas Disco
20th Dec-3rd Jan – Christmas Break
9th Feb – INSET Day
12th-16th Feb– Half Term
29th Mar-12th Apr – Easter Break
15th Apr – INSET Day
27th -31st May – Half Term
7th June – Community Cohesion Day, school closed for pupils
24th July – Last day of term