



Author Spotlight <b>Jill Murphy</b>		Manningham Library Details
	<p>Jill Murphy is a children's author. RS have been reading lots of her books recently and it is their favourite author. She is probably more famous for writing books for slightly older children, 'The Worst Witch' collection is one of the most popular book series ever to be written.</p> <p><i>I was six when I started writing my own books, put together with a stapler and I haven't stopped writing and drawing since then. I've still got all those early books and they are proper chapter books, with lots of illustrations. Sometimes, I even wrote my own newspapers, with a review section announcing a new book by Jill Murphy!</i></p>	<p>Offering order and collect services. You can contact and order by telephone or email. 01274 435353</p> <p>Manningham.library@bradford.gov.uk</p>
	<p><i>The characters in The Worst Witch are all based on my schooldays. Mildred is based on myself when I had plaits so long that I could sit on them! Maud is based on my little best friend, Elizabeth, and all the teachers (both nice and nasty) are based on my schoolteachers. It was a very strict school and I began to think up the story of Mildred when I was still at the school, aged fourteen. I used to draw little pictures of Mildred, with her pointy witch's hat, all over my school exercise book. I made them into witches because I thought it would add a touch of magic to the story.</i></p>	<div style="background-color: #ff4500; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><b>Book shops in Bradford</b></div> <p>Waterstones - The Wool Exchange 01274 723127</p> <p>Daley's Book Shop 3 Grove Terrace, Bradford BD7 1AU <a href="tel:01274727800">01274 727800</a></p>
		

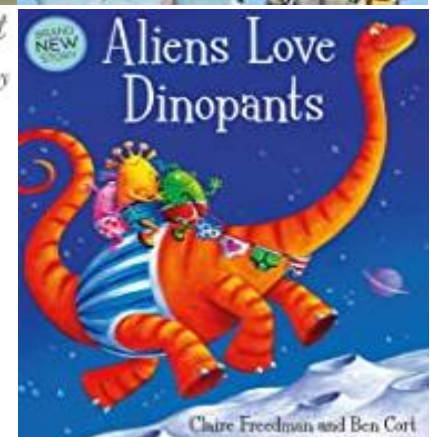
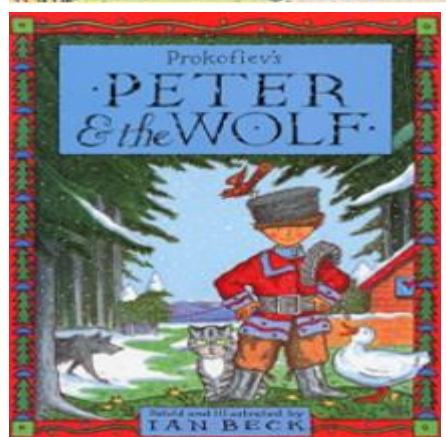
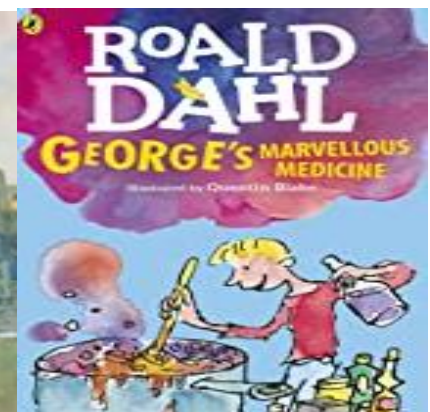
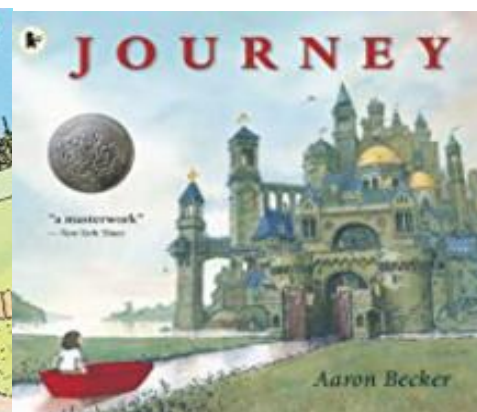
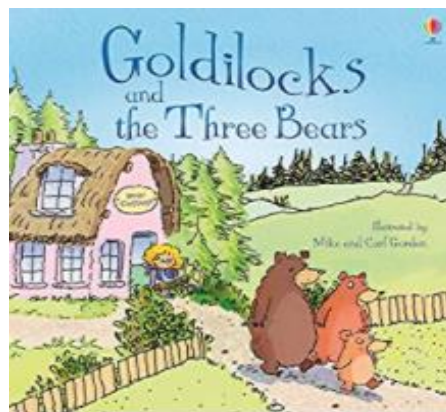
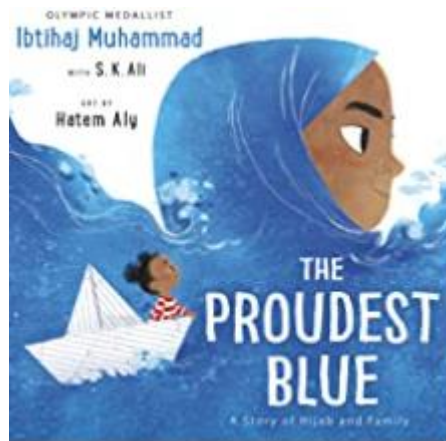
Upcoming Events	
October	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> October: National Poetry Day</b>	National Poetry Day generates an explosion of activity nationwide, thousands of amazing events across the UK – in schools, libraries, bookshops and hospitals, on buses, trains and boats – all celebrating poetry's power to bring people together. The 2020 theme is Vision. <a href="https://nationalpoetryday.co.uk">https://nationalpoetryday.co.uk</a>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> October: Cheltenham Literature Festival</b>	For book lovers everywhere, The Times and the Sunday Times hosts the Cheltenham Literature Festival. It welcomes the world's greatest thinkers and writers to the town. Many interviews are being shown online this year. <a href="https://cheltenhamfestivals.com/literature">https://cheltenhamfestivals.com/literature</a>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> October: Libraries Week</b>	Libraries Week is an annual showcase and celebration of the best that libraries have to offer. Each year a theme is chosen and explored to show what libraries are doing to support their communities. <a href="http://www.librariesweek.org.uk/">http://www.librariesweek.org.uk/</a>
November	
<b>Blue Peter Book Award – shortlist announced!</b>	Since 2000, the enormously popular and influential Blue Peter Awards have been recognising and celebrating the best authors, the most creative illustrators and the greatest reads for children. The Blue Peter Awards 2019 celebrates children's books published in the last year in two categories: the best story and the best book: <a href="https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-wedo/awards-and-prizes/current-prizes/blue-peter-bookawards/">https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-wedo/awards-and-prizes/current-prizes/blue-peter-bookawards/</a>
<b>Costa Book Awards –</b>	The Costa Book Awards honours books written by authors based in the UK and Ireland. There are five categories: First Novel, Novel, Biography, Poetry and Children's Boo, with one of the



<p><b>shortlist announced!</b></p>	<p>five winners being chosen as Book of the Year. The winner is announced every January.  <a href="https://www.costa.co.uk/behind-the-beans/costa-bookawards/welcome">https://www.costa.co.uk/behind-the-beans/costa-bookawards/welcome</a></p>
<p><b>December</b></p>	
<p><b>Early December: Royal Mail Letters to Santa (deadline TBC)</b></p>	<p>Each year, Santa's elves at the Royal Mail can help you get a letter from Santa, if children write to him by early December.  <a href="https://www.royalmail.com/christmas/lettersto-santa">https://www.royalmail.com/christmas/lettersto-santa</a></p>

## Class Books

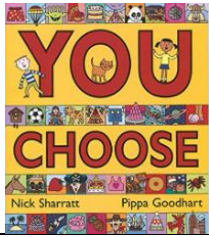
Green Lane has been focused on welcoming the children back into school since September and getting them to enjoy reading and sharing books at school again. Our school theme has been, 'Who am I?', with many classes talking about what makes us special, sharing stories about our families and local community. Also discussing topics about why people come to live in Bradford, how has Bradford changed over time and why people choose to stay and live in Bradford. These are some of the other books we have been looking at this term. Sometimes, the stories we study link to the class topics; sometimes, they are just chosen because they are brilliant books.





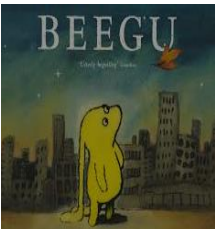


**Fiction: Teacher Picks**



R1B are enjoying – You Choose by Nick Sharratt

Appealing, highly interactive and packed with details, this gem of a book can support speech and language development, encourage independent thinking and make decision-making fun. Pippa Goodheart's wonderful ideas and Nick Sharratt's unique illustrations are a perfect combination.



1KM are enjoying – **Beegu by Alexis Deacon**

Beegu is from another world and somehow gets lost on Earth. Lonely and confused, she wanders off to a nearby city to find some friends. But the only friendly people she comes across are the children, while the big Earth creatures just don't seem to understand.

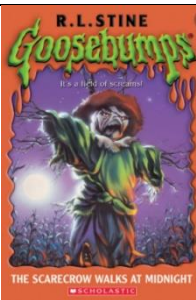
Deacon's simple text and soft illustrations cleverly convey a child's feelings of uncertainty and confusion when faced with new surroundings. This is a heart-warming and satisfying tale that is certain to provide comfort to young children.



4SL and 3/4AP are enjoying - **The Nothing to See Here Hotel by Steven Lenton**

Frankie Banister and his family run the Nothing to See Here Hotel, which is cunningly hidden from human view by magic and lots of really, really bad TripAdvisor reviews. It's not for humans, you see, and instead is the perfect getaway for magical creatures of all kinds – mermaids are welcomed through the sea door and stairs are rented to ghosts looking for a holiday from their usual haunts.

The cast of characters in this laugh-out-loud first book in a series are full of sparkle, oddness and vitality, from the lispng Molar Sisters to Granny Regurgita, the terrifying troll nan that rules the roost from her attic bedroom. The hotel has bags of potential to be explored in further books, and the offbeat humour will ensure readers visit again and again.

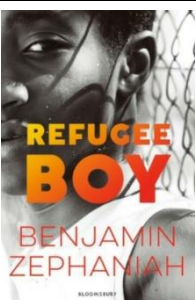


5VA are enjoying – **The Scarecrow Walks at Midnight by R.L Stine**

The best-selling scare series of all time brings you a thrilling repackaged of the field of screams!

Jodie loves visiting her grandparents' farm. Okay, so it's not the most exciting place in the world. Still, Grandpa tells great scary stories. And Grandma's chocolate chip cookies are the best.

But this summer the farm has really changed. The cornfields are sparse. Grandma and Grandpa seem worn out. And the single scarecrow has been replaced by twelve evil-looking ones. Then one night Jodie sees something really odd. The scarecrows seem to be moving. Twitching on their stakes. Coming alive . . .



Year 6 are enjoying – **Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah**

Life is not safe for Alem. His father is Ethiopian, his mother Eritrean. Their countries are at war, and Alem is welcome in neither place.

So Alem is excited to spend a holiday in London with his father - until he wakes up to find him gone. What seems like a betrayal is in fact an act of love, but now Alem is alone in a strange country, and he must forge his own path ... Brilliantly written and with a real ear for dialogue, fans of Angie Thomas and Malorie Blackman will love Benjamin Zephaniah's novels for young adult reader.



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