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Half-Term Next Week

Next Week is [Harry Potter Week](#) at all Reading's libraries, with magical wand making at Whitley Library on Friday 27th from 3 – 4 p.m., and events all day on Saturday 21st at the Central Library in town (on the corner of Abbey Square and King's Road, near Jackson's Corner). There are quizzes and exhibitions all day as well as a super writing workshop for children aged 8+ run by Reading University English Department from 11 – 12.

We would like to wish you an enjoyable half-term.



1 in 2 Million

Research shows that reading actually aids in brain development. When children read, or are read to, their brain cells are literally turned on, and existing links among brain cells are strengthened and new cell links are formed.

Reading is also one of the best activities to provide the foundational language and literacy skills your child needs to succeed. And let's not forget how reading aloud connects us – reader and listener – in a very intimate way. When we read aloud to children, we send them this message: You are important. This time is for you.

And when you visit a library, you can expose your children to more books and magazines than you could ever afford to buy. Why not make a visit to the library one of your half-term activities?

It is really very simple to join the library – and to borrow up to 20 books at a time. All you need is proof of your name and address. For children, a parent has to sign the application.

**NO
NUTS!**

Some of our
children have
serious allergies.

Blog of the Week

Nursery wins Blog of the Week this week for Autumn Songs. Miss Clarke's Trip to the Library, and Miss Kerrigan's Three Little Rabbits are also great to watch. Some of the older pupils have posted some superb writing. In Mr Krasnopski's class Chioma has four great blog posts, while Mrs Kassam's class has written settings and character descriptions on their Norse mythology theme.

Our Blogger of the week is Shianne Wood with two fantastic posts: one, an account of her trip to Ghana over the summer, complete with photos, and the other a celebration of our school. If you have not yet read them, check them out on Mrs Gooch's class blog at www.ctreading.net.



Thank You

For £100.90 raised for CAFOD and Aspire2 over the past two non-uniform days..



Ballet

Ballet starts again after half-term. Our ballet teacher, Valentina, suffered a bereavement two weeks ago, when her father died after a short illness. Please remember Valentina and her family in your prayers.

Times/Dates/Prices Overleaf



We started our week in Spanish
and finished in Tagalog
“Buenos Días” “Magandang Umaga”



October/November at-a-Glance

Mon 23rd Oct. **Half Term** until Fri 27th Oct.

Tue 7th Nov. **Parents' meetings**—Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
Bookings online from Monday 30th. October

Thu 9th Nov. **Parents' meetings**—Years 3—6 (as above).

Wed 22nd Nov. **School Choir** performing at [The Hexagon](#).

Sun 26th Nov. **Feast of Christ the King**. Parents & children
invited to mass to help celebrate our feast day.

Ballet and Gymnastics

Both these re-start after half term.

Gymnastics is from 8–8.40 in the mornings and costs
£24.50 for the 7 weeks up to Christmas.

Reception, Year 1–Wednesdays;

Years 3–6–Tuesdays.

Ballet is on Tuesdays and costs £20 up to Christmas.

Reception, Year 1 : 3–3.45

Years 2 and 3: 3.45–4.30

Please book for both through the school office.



Year 1 have visited Whitley Library over the past two weeks.
Our picture shows Miss Kerrigan's class listening to a story
yesterday (Thursday).



Matilda

Mr Cosgrove and Mrs Kassam took their classes to London
this week to see the fabulous musical Matilda in the West
End. The children had a marvellous time – and we are very
grateful to Aspire2, the charity for children in South Reading,
which paid for the transport. Photos [on our website](#).



Important Reminder

Our After School club: please remember to book and pay
(online) to avoid disappointment. There is still no need to
book for Breakfast Club.



Spanish

This week children in Key Stage 2 have been given a
website link to practice their Spanish. Parents will need to
sign in for them. An e-mail address is needed. At the end of
term the class with the most points from this website will
have a Spanish themed party. www.memrise.com



Polo Shirts £5

As we are changing from gold to white polo shirts,
Stevensons are keen to sell their remaining stock and have
discounted all gold shirts to £5. We are still in transition and
Children are welcome to wear gold for at least the next two
terms.

Congratulations!



Cormac Penn-Greenaway who has been learning to
SCUBA dive.

Tirzah Boakye who is now a Maths Ninja with the rank of
Yodan.

Year 3/4 footballers (see picture on our website) who,
distinguished themselves last Friday at a tournament at
Crossfields School. The previous day our *Year 5/6*
footballers played in the Berkshire Schools' FA Cup at
Speenhamland, Newbury. We are very proud of all our
footballers who always represent us very well.

