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"A Place to Learn and Achieve"

With faith as small as a mustard seed, you can move mountains. – Matthew 13 verses 31- 35

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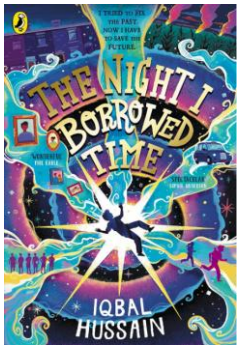
Dear Parents,

Reading is a vital skill that all children need to make progress across the curriculum both in Key Stage Two and beyond. With this in mind, in Unit 3, we want to foster a love of reading in all the children which will not only help them in their day-to-day learning but will develop a desire to explore a wide range of texts and genres for pleasure.
We have a number of strategies to help the children achieve this including our 100 reads challenge and each teacher has a personal library the children can borrow from. In addition to this, we would like your child to take part in 2 other activities.

Firstly, a summer reads challenge. We are challenging the children to read for a minimum of 36 days over the summer holidays. The children should complete the grid attached and return it to their new class teacher at the start of the school year. Children who complete the challenge will be invited to a tea party in the Autumn term.
Secondly, we will be running our Virtual book club in the Autumn term, from the beginning of September. The Unit 3 teachers will be reading 2 books.



The first book is The night I borrowed time by Iqbal Hussain. This book has a good level of challenge for yr 5 and 6 and I hope, will be a great read.

The second book is aimed more for yr 5 who are a little less confident in reading a chunky book. This book is called Dungeon Runners and sounds like another good read. It is also on offer on amazon right now (always a bonus). Other book sellers are available 😊

We will be reading this book in our own time and letting you know, via Class Dojo, where we are up to, discussing aspects of the book in school. We would love for the children to join us in reading one of the books as the discussions will help the children make progress, read a genre they may be unfamiliar with and improve their reading skills. If you would like to purchase the book and read along with us (in your own time), we have included a photo of the cover above. If you have any queries, please speak to one of the Unit 3 teachers. This is not a compulsory activity as we are aware this incurs a cost.

The Unit 3 Team

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