



# Watling Park School

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*Book Week!*

## A message from Ms Whitcombe and Miss Dunbar

From the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> March, Watling Park School celebrated Book Week, including World Book Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Children across the school took part in various activities throughout the week with a theme for each day: poetry, comic books, non-fiction and fairy tales. It was amazing to see some incredibly creative work being produced in every class, reflecting our children's love of reading!

Many children sent in photos of them reading in unusual places (p. 2-3) and wrote book reviews recommending their favourite books (p. 5-10) - children also got to dress up for World Book Day and join in a parade (p. 4) and participate in writing the School Story (p. 11-12)!

We hope that you enjoy seeing some photos from our fantastic week, reading our School Story and a selection of children's book reviews in this newsletter! Remember – Book Week may be over, but a child's love of reading is forever.



*"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss*

## Reading in unusual places!

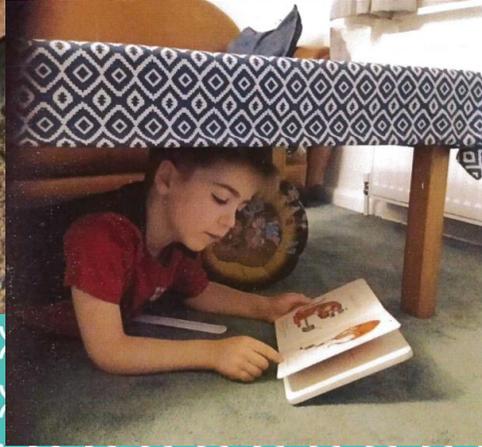
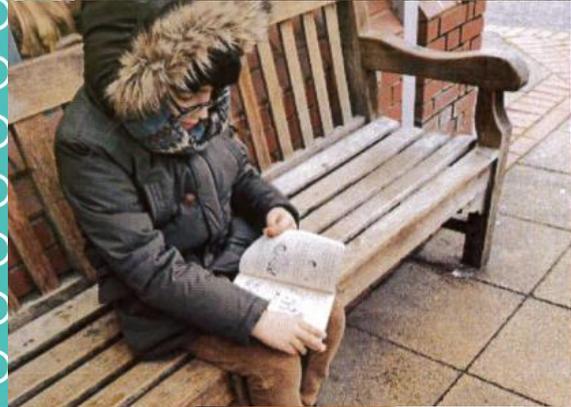
Many children sent in photos of them reading in unusual places at home! We received some very creative entries and it was so hard to choose a winner!

Congratulations to our winner Phoebe-Amelia who was caught reading on a pile of mattresses in a home store, and to our runner up Mika who was caught reading whilst doing karate!





Runner up!



## World Book Day parade!

On World Book Day, children around the world dressed up as their favourite book characters, and Watling Park School was no exception! We had some fantastic costumes and were very pleased to see so many homemade costumes – what a great way to get involved at home!

Thank you to everyone who participated, including school staff who went the extra mile with their costumes!

Congratulations to the parade winners - Mario in Reception, Lacie in Year 1, Reyansh in Year 2, Aron in Year 3 and Xavier in Year 4.



# My Book Review

Name: Razvan

Date: 4.3.20

Book Title: Beak and Bone



How did you feel about this book?



Draw your favourite part of the book.



Razvan  
Year 1

## Book reviews!

Children across the school wrote book reviews recommending their favourite stories. The reviews featured here will all win a special book prize, and the rest will be made into a book review book for all to read! Thank you Watling Park!

Vera  
Year 2

## My Book Review

Title: birds in your garden

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you like the book?   
Rate the book by colouring in the stars.

What was your favourite part?  
My favourite part was the heron because when it fly they stretch their legs

Draw your favourite scene from the book.



A Book Review by Georgiana

Your star rating for this book  
★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Title: Red ridding hood Author: D

**Plot** What happens? Are there any plot twists?  
Did you find the plot interesting?

I found the book interesting because  
at the end the wolf had rocks in  
his tummy.

**Characters** Who are the main characters?  
Who was your favourite character? Why?

The main characters was Red ridding  
hood and the wolf also the grandma.  
My favourite character was the wolf  
because he was so funny.

**Your opinion** Did you like the book?  
What was your favourite part? Why?

I like the book because at the end  
the wolf ran with the rocks in his  
stomach because the tummy and he

**Recommend** Would you recommend  
this book to a friend?  
Why or why not?

Yes because at the end  
it was a happy ending &  
also it was funny at the end.



Georgiana  
Year 3

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Ayomide  
Year 2

### My Book Review

Title: Birds in Your Garden

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you like the book? ★★★★★  
Rate the book by colouring in the stars.

What was your favourite part?  
My favourite part was when they eating!  
because that's chasing the mouse!

Draw your favourite scene from the book.



Isra  
Year 1

### My Book Review

Isra

Title: HUSKY Adventure

Author: Roderick Hunt & Alex Brychta

Did you like the book? ★★★★★  
Rate the book by colouring in the stars.

What was your favourite part?

I like that the dog has  
a family.

Draw your favourite scene from the book.



A Book Review by Jason Bau

Your star rating for this book



Title: Jake's Cave

Author: Nick Maland

**Plot** What happens? Are there any plot twists?  
Did you find the plot interesting?

So Jake told his little sister, Pip about the cave, then when he arrived, Jake found the cave was chilly. There wasn't any plot twists.

**Characters** Who are the main characters?

Who was your favourite character? Why?

Jake and Pip are the main characters. My favourite character is Jake, because he protected Pip and me from the cave.



**Your opinion** Did you like the book?

What was your favourite part? Why?

Yes I like the book, my favourite part is Pip choosing clothes.

**Recommend**

Would you recommend this book to a friend?

Why or why not?

Yes, because it is so funny and I can't wait to recommend this book to my friend!

Jazmya  
Year 4

# Book Review



**Book Title** The Owl and the Pussycat  
**Author** Edward Lear  
**Illustrator** Victoria Ball

Genre (tick as many as apply to your book)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fiction	<input type="checkbox"/> scary	<input type="checkbox"/> animal story
<input type="checkbox"/> non fiction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fairy tale	<input type="checkbox"/> biography
<input type="checkbox"/> fantasy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> adventure	<input type="checkbox"/> historical
<input type="checkbox"/> humour	<input type="checkbox"/> sports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mystery
<input type="checkbox"/> other _____		

**Plot**

Event 1 The Owl and the Pussycat  
went to sea with a boat  
for mostly honey and bolts of

Event 2 The Owl  
sung a song  
a love song

Event 3 They got  
married.

**Setting** The setting is  
set on the water

Picture of the setting

**Character**

Name Pussycat  
 Personality Kind

**Cause and Effect** of one of the events in the book

Cause <u>The owl and the pussycat</u> <u>Love</u>	Effect <u>Blue</u> <u>skys.</u>
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**My Star Rating**

★★★★★

Why I rated the book 5 stars  
because it a lovely  
book and a beautiful  
poem.

This book made me feel  
happy because  
it's a  
happy  
book

Physical Appearance Pretty  
Purple

How I feel about this character  
 and why: I felt  
like the caretters  
were kind because  
they said kind things

draw how you felt!

A book review by: Hawraa

Author: Retold by Russell paster

Title: The wooden horse

What was the story about? The story was about a wooden horse.

Who were the characters? The characters were Kings of Greece, Odysseus, the runaway queen Menelaus, a young prince named Paris.

What did you like about the book? I liked when they build a giant wooden horse.

Draw your favourite picture from the book.



Your rating: 6 / 10

During Book Week, classes got to participate in writing a page of the School Story. The children had to continue writing the story based on what other classes had written so far. This made for a very interesting and creative story with some wonderful twists and turns!

Pine

Once upon a time there was a ginger cat called Matt, and a black and white dog called Alex. They lived in a nice, cool primary school called Watling Park School. Every day they had fun playing football and doing art. One day they decided to go on an adventure.

Matt and Alex walked into Watling Woods. No one had gone into the woods for many, many years. Feeling brave, Matt and Alex began to look for the long lost Watling Park treasure. It grew darker and the tall trees began to sway in the wind. Suddenly they...

Pear

...could see a spooky shadow in the shape of a young child. Matt and Alex were curious to what the mysterious shadow could be. They began to creep quietly in and out of the dancing trees. Then BANG! They...

...fell into a hidden well that had been covered up with leaves! "Ouch!" they cried loudly. Alex had landed on a dark brown treasure box. They slowly opened it, but...

Hazel

Cedar

...all that was inside was a dusty old map, which showed the way to a secret cave. After finding an underground door in the well, Alex and Matt arrived at a dark brown cave. In the gloomy cave lay a black dirty diary which gave Alex and Matt a clue about the shadow child they saw in the Watling Woods. It said:

- 1) Stomp three times.
- 2) Take five steps towards the Birch tree while looking for a glittery sapphire gem.
- 3) Shine it at the light and open the door carefully to a new, mystic dimension, "Back in Time."

All at once, Alex and Matt heard the sweet sound of children singing delightful songs of unicorns flying through rainbows in the beautiful sunset sky. At that moment...

...they saw the dark, gloomy, shadowy figure. Nervously, they walked forwards towards it. They noticed it was a little boy. He introduced himself as Peter. He was once a student of Watling Park School. "Follow me," he said, "I know where the treasure is!" and so they did.

Peter led Matt and Alex down a bumpy and battered path until they reached a familiar sight. As they entered the doors to Watling Park School, they discovered a secret door. Inside was a sparkly gem and the famous treasure. Even though Matt and Alex were excited by the riches, they learnt that the biggest treasure of all was their new friendship with Peter.

THE END

Ash

Maple