Bishop Road Primary School
Bishop Road, Bristol BS7 8LS

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Friday 28th February 2020

Dear Parents and carers,

Bishop Road Reading Festival

Monday 2nd March marks the beginning of the annual Bishop Road Reading Festival; the aim for this year's festival is to broaden children's reading experience. As such, children across the school will be participating in activities and workshops designed to help them discover and celebrate non-fiction texts. The Reading Festival, as always, is a great opportunity to celebrate books in a way that encourages and supports reading for pleasure: something that is central to the curriculum at Bishop Road.

There are all sorts of exciting events happening throughout the week:

- Year 1 Bedtime Books (Monday 2nd March – 4.45 till 5.30)
- Year 2 Bedtime Books (Wednesday 4th March – 4.45 till 5.30)
- Year 3 Campfire Stories (Monday 2nd March)
- Year 4 Big Read Hour (Monday 2nd March)
- Year 3 Big Read Hour (Wednesday 4th March)

Author Visits

Year 1 – Anna Doherty
On Tuesday 3rd March, Year 1 children will take part in an exciting workshop run by author and illustrator Anna Doherty. She has published many non-fiction books including 'The Fantastically Feminist (and Totally True) Story of the Astonishing Authors: The Brontës' and 'The Fantastically Feminist (and Totally True) Story of the Mathematician Extraordinaire Ada Lovelace'.

Year 2 – Robert Crowther
On Tuesday 3rd March, Robert Crowther will be visiting children in Year 2 to talk to them about his non-fiction pop-up books. Year 2 have been looking at his texts as part of their DT paper-engineering topic, so this is a fantastic opportunity for them to extend their learning.

Year 3 and 4 – Andy Seed
On Wednesday 4th March, Andy Seed will be running workshops with Years 3 and 4 based around his fantastic non-fiction texts. Andy Seed's books include 'The Silly Book of Side-Splitting Stuff' and 'A Giant Dose of Gross' along with many other titles which are very popular in the library.

Year 5 and 6 – John Malam

On Monday 2nd March, non-fiction author John Malam will be visiting children in years 5 and 6. John Malam has published over 200 non-fiction books including popular titles 'You Wouldn't Want To Be: A Victorian Schoolchild!' and 'The Story of the First World War for Children'.

The Fantastic Scholastic Great Big Bishop Road Read Around

On Thursday afternoon, the entire school will participate in the Fantastic Scholastic Great Big Bishop Road Read Around. This event will see children from each year group visit different parts of the school to be read to by various members of staff. Mr Emissah and Mrs Powe, along with teachers, office staff, PE teachers and LSAs, will share stories that are meaningful to them, with the aim of introducing new authors and genres in a way that is exciting and memorable for the children.

Thank you again for all of your continued support. Please take some time to have a look at the school blog which we will keep updated with photos of the week's events.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Purnell