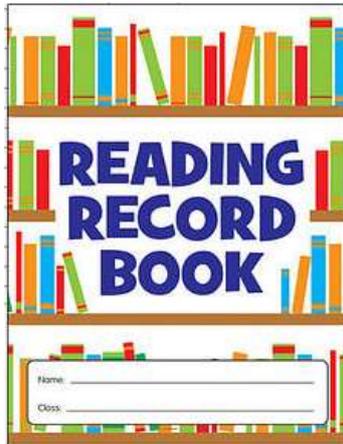


# ENGLISH NEWS

## Reading Records



A HUGE well done to the children that are making good progress in their reading challenge this week. You are on an amazing literary journey!

**Remember: you get certificates and celebrated in this newsletter for making 5, 20, 40, 60 and 80 jumps**

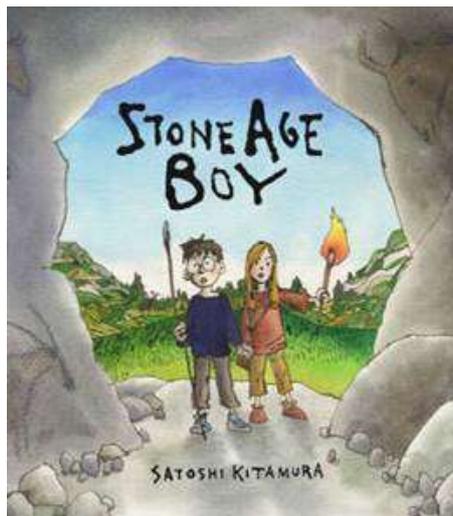
<u>5 jumps</u>		<u>20 jumps</u>	
Anaya	Beech	Yusuf	Eucalyptus
Melene	Rowan	Raima	Eucalyptus
Dylan	Rowan	Zoe	Eucalyptus
Elizabeth	Rowan	Elsa	Eucalyptus
Magnus	Rowan	Caroline	Cherry
Louie	Rowan		
Demi	Rowan		
Caleb	Rowan		
Dairell	Rowan		
Sophie	Elm		
Leo	Willow		
Tolu	Eucalyptus		
Avaine	Eucalyptus		

## Writers' Corner

**In year 3, the children have been reading the text 'Stone Age Boy'. This book is about a boy who fell into a world that existed 20,000 years ago.**

Far from being distressed by his experience, he makes friends with a young girl and is welcomed into her family camp where he learns how to make fire, make tools, hunt, cook and prepare animal skins - all with implements made of wood, stone and bone.

The highlight of his stay is a trip to some distant caves where he sees some amazing cave paintings, meets a ferocious bear....and falls back into the twenty first century!



The children have recently been writing diary entries from the boy's point of view about his experience in the camp. Below is an extract, enjoy!

*Dear Diary,*

*Today I made an authentic stone age necklace. I thought there were shops around here to buy thread but my friend explained to me that they didn't sell those in the shops. Instead you can buy saber tooth tigers ligaments and tendons to create a necklace. I was disgusted because I have never touched ligaments or tendons before. I waited for them to dry in the sun before attempting to touch them.*

**Bola, Palm Class**



## **DKH staff launches Audiobook Podcasts!!!!**

As part of our focus on reading, staff at DKH have been producing Podcasts where they have read their favorite children's books. There is even one from me!!

This is now live on our website and children can listen to these stories at bedtime. Listening to stories or books being read is one of our weekly activities for our new home learning approach. The podcast now allows children to listen to stories read by familiar adults in the school.

**Go to: <http://dkh.org.uk/dkh-story-time/>**

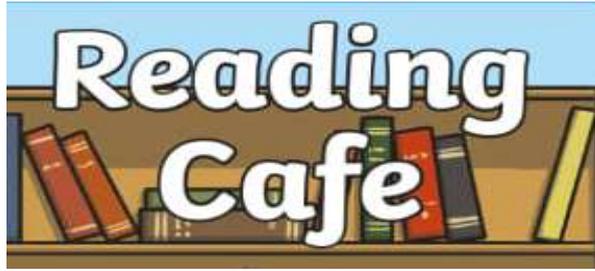
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Before Christmas, I sent out application forms for the 'Adventure Zone' creative writing competition. This week, we received a list of winners, whose work, if given parental consent, will be publicized in a young writer's anthology!

Below are the children who have won. Congratulations to all our winners and applicants. Remember, even if your work was not accepted, you can resubmit and try again!

<b>Kendall A</b>	<b>Herby M J</b>	<b>Zion S</b>	<b>Alianna R</b>	<b>Nuran S</b>	<b>Jacob M</b>
<b>Ruby U</b>	<b>Nellie E</b>	<b>Maddix A</b>	<b>Abraham K</b>	<b>Dariell T</b>	<b>Emir S</b>
<b>Irene B</b>	<b>Stefan M</b>	<b>Khadija A</b>	<b>Maya A</b>	<b>David O</b>	<b>Mia B</b>
<b>Iris D</b>	<b>Jamilah A</b>	<b>Demi O</b>	<b>Muhem A</b>	<b>Damon M</b>	<b>Caleb S</b>
<b>Theo D</b>	<b>Lynn E</b>	<b>Bola A</b>	<b>Zoe O</b>	<b>Candace T</b>	<b>Harrison A</b>
<b>Mosunmda I</b>	<b>Junior B</b>	<b>Josh P</b>			



I would like to give a big thank you to the parents who have attended our 'Reading Cafes' this term.

Attending events like these in school are extremely beneficial to parents as you can learn the techniques and strategies we use on a daily basis to teach the children. Therefore, you will then be able to support your child in the same way at home.

The dates below are for the reading Cafés for this half term.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Year 5	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 6	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February