



Book Week 2026 at Miers Court Primary.



Wow! We had such a super time celebrating Book Week here at Miers Court. From start to finish there was a range of fun and engaging activities to ignite the children's passion for reading. We had special visitors, dances, class swaps, reading in extreme places and even mysterious, masked readers! Read on to find out more of what we got up to and be prepared, it makes for quite the story...!



Book themed dance workshops



Now take a look at just some of the amazing activities which have been going on in each year group...



Reception



During book week, Year R enjoyed reading the story, The Forest of Dreams. They explored the lovely language and beautiful illustrations. The children wrote their own sentences about what they would find in their own imaginative forest.



We shared our writing with year 1 who were focusing on the same story.

We loved dressing up as words, there was such a variety, from strong, to fancy, the children looked amazing and they had a wonderful opportunity to parade around the school to see all the other children.





Year 1

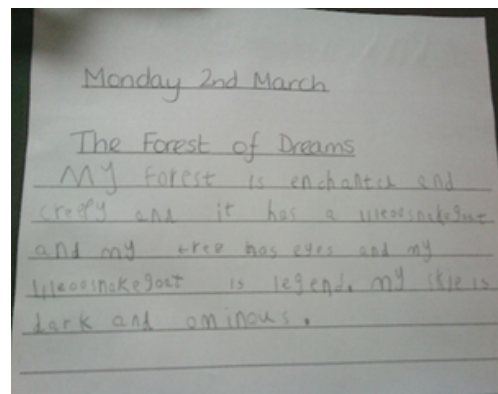
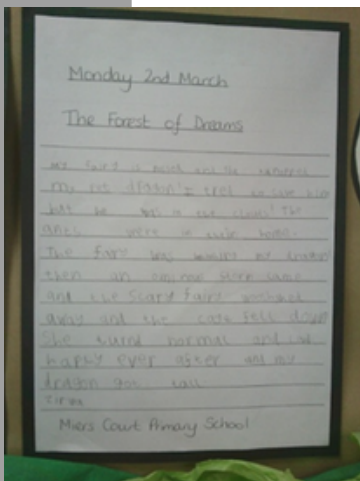
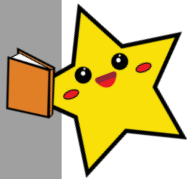


We looked at the front cover and thought about what we could see, what we thought would happen and what we wondered about the story.

We learnt that this is a "fantasy" book which means it is an imaginative story featuring magic, mythical creatures and imaginary worlds that cannot exist in real life.

We thought about what fantasy things might be in the forest. We loved letting our imagination run wild!

We had lots of craft, materials and other items to create an item or a character that could be in the Forest of Dreams.



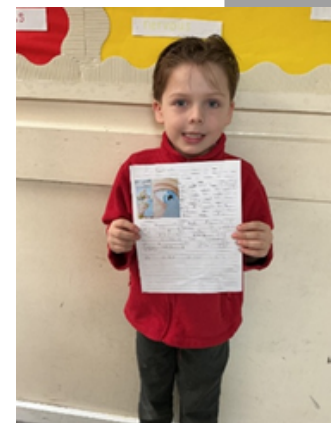
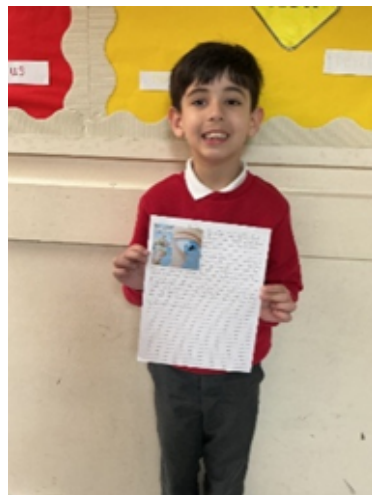
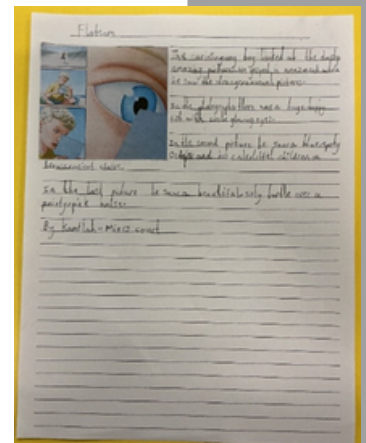
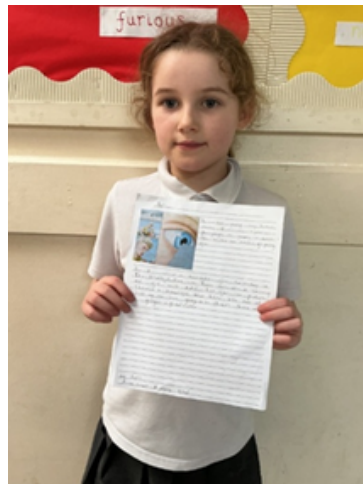
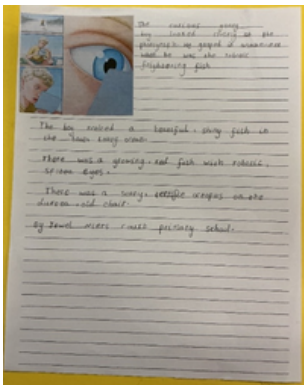


Year 2



During Book Week, the children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the story Flotsam. We began the week by learning about expanded noun phrases and used them to describe the detailed illustrations in the book. The children then applied these phrases to write their own descriptions based on an image of the main character looking closely at a photograph from his underwater camera.

They produced some fantastic sentences and particularly enjoyed investigating this wordless book, using the pictures to imagine and discuss what the underwater world might look like. In our reading sessions, we also revisited the story to develop new vocabulary and practise making inferences about how the characters might be feeling. Overall, the children showed great enthusiasm and creativity throughout the week



Year 3

In Year 3 we were really engaged by our book 'Flotsam' by David Wiesner. The children loved exploring the detailed illustrations and made some fantastically creative predictions of what they thought might happen in the story, as well as using their inference skills to give thoughtful suggestions.



The children worked really hard to create setting descriptions based on their chosen picture. These included expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials – both skills that the children have been working hard to master! We loved our Under the Sea themed dance workshop and were captivated by Gianna Pollero during her visit. On the Friday we shared our writing with Year 2 and Year 4 and loved hearing the different ideas and interpretations of the same book. Of course no Book Week would be complete without some dress up and we were so impressed with all of the clever word-based outfits that the children wore.



Year 4



Year 4 have had a lovely week exploring the wonderful picture book 'Flotsam' by David Wiesner. We thought it was really interesting as it linked to our topic about the oceans last term. We found the illustrations beautiful and fascinating.

As part of our descriptive writing the children had the chance to touch and explore real Flotsam! We then focussed on using expanded noun phrases to describe it. We also chose a page from the book and wrote a descriptive piece that we shared with Year 3. They also shared their writing with us and we were very impressed!



As part of Book Week we also had a great time doing our dance together, dressing up as a word and meeting the author Gianna Pollero again. Some of year 4 have even written stories about the character we created together !



Year 4 had a super week!



Year 5

In year 5, we read 'The Viewer', a book all about a mysterious box that a young boy, Tristan, finds in the dump and the mysterious viewfinder he finds inside it. The book was filled with fantastic images and language, and we used all of our descriptive skills to recreate the moment that Tristan first found the box, focusing on painting a really clear picture in the readers mind with our language Choices!

We were also inspired by the amazing artwork in the book, and had a go at recreating our own versions of the mechanical eye that appears in several pages.



Year 6

Year 6 have had a lovely week exploring the fascinating picture book 'The Viewer

' by Gary Crew. From the very first page, the children were completely gripped by the story's dark twist and mysterious atmosphere.

We focused on developing our descriptive writing skills, particularly how to create tension through atmosphere. The class closely examined the scene in the scrapyards where Tristan discovers the unusual box, and the children produced some superb examples of imagery and figurative language. Their word choices powerfully captured the suspense of the moment and short sentences were used to create a sense of danger.



The viewfinder discs sparked especially thoughtful discussions. The children carefully considered what Tristan could see, practising their predicting and inferring skills to unpick the hidden meanings behind each image. It was wonderful to hear such mature and reflective conversations



To deepen their understanding, the children worked collaboratively to order the story's events from memory, linking them to their prior learning in history. They then applied their creativity by designing their own viewfinder disc from Tristan's lifetime, demonstrating both imagination and historical awareness.

A fantastic week all round — well done, Year 6!



Author visit

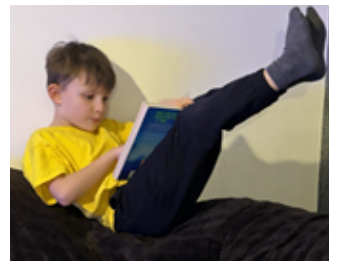
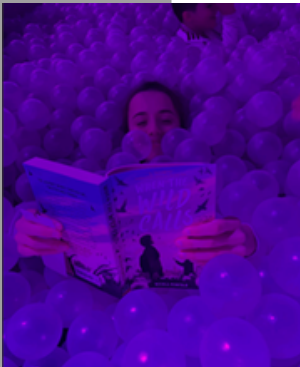
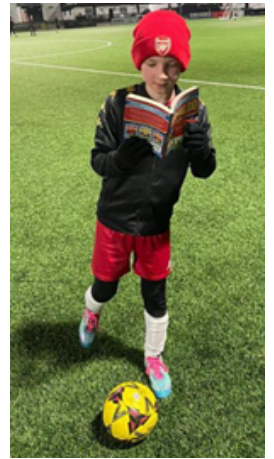


We were lucky enough to have a return visit from published author, Gianna Pollero. Her most popular series is the Monster Doughnuts books. A series of books about a little girl called Grace who is a monster hunter who owns a bakery - and everyone knows how much monsters LOVE any kind of sweet treat! Gianna talked to the children about being an author, and how long it takes her to write and publish a book. She also encouraged them to work together to create a new character for a new story. She focussed on the characters age, name, background, likes and dislikes and showed the children how these ideas can create not only the character but the story as well. Gianna challenged the children to use this character and create their own story, something that a lot of the children were very excited about.



Extreme Readers

We had yet more fantastic entries for this year's 'Extreme Reader' photographs. From alpacas to soaring 30, 000 feet above the sky – the children really have shown that a book can accompany you just about anywhere! We celebrated the children's efforts by welcoming them into the library for a hot chocolate and a biscuit to say 'well done.'





Mysterious masked readers

If you have been keeping an eye on our social media pages, then you will have noticed some mysterious readers appearing to share some book extracts with us! Four staff members from across the school read a passage accompanied by some clues as to the reader and the text. Families were invited to guess who they thought the illusive narrators could be. Did you guess them all correctly? A big thank you to

Mrs Doherty reading 'The Gruffalo', Miss Bowie reading from 'The BFG', Mrs Townsend reading from 'Harry Potter' and Mrs Fordyce reading from 'The Lion, the witch and the wardrobe.'



Dress as a Word

It was amazing to see so many clever and creative outfits walking into school for our 'word' themed dress up. We had everything from 'sleepy' princesses to 'adventurous' explorers and 'magical' wizards. Of course, the staff couldn't resist getting involved too

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...and finally a huge

**Thank
you**

We further embraced the children's love of reading by welcoming the travelling book fair. Over the week we were visited by several of our children and their families. Thank you so much to everyone who came to browse or purchase a book. Your support has helped us to reach a total of £469.43 and raise a whopping **£214.94** in commission which we will use to purchase more shiny, new books for the library. Thank you!

