



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Term 3 – Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas.

We have an exciting term planned with Year 5 starting swimming lessons last week, and toward the end of the term we welcome back the really popular Mendip Activity Days for KS2.

We would like to say a Big Becket Welcome to our new Year 2 Teacher Miss Carville. Miss Carville has really enjoyed her first few weeks here at Becket, she has been working really hard, getting to know all the children.

North Somerset Dance Fest – Some children from Year 5 and 6 have been rehearsing, to create 2 wonderful dances to perform at the North Somerset Dance Festival in March. For those families whose child is participating, tickets will be available to book as of 29th January from the Playhouse.

RMC After School Clubs – This Term we have welcomed RMC sports in to run our afterschool club. The children are really enjoying it and feedback so far has been really positive. Afterschool club is £5 from 3.15 - 4.15 and £8 until 5.30. Football and dodge ball finish at 4.15pm. Please go to <https://www.rmcsports.co.uk/product-category/after-school-clubs/> to book your child's place.

Please can I remind you that there are no dogs allowed on school grounds, even if they can be carried they must remain outside of the school gates during pick up and drop off.

Mendip activity Days – We are so lucky to be able to offer the Activity days again this year. We are asking for a payment of £12 towards the cost of the trip. Payment can be made via ParentPay.

Year 3 will be going on 7th February – Tobogganing and Frisbee golf

Year 4 will be going on 5th February - Low Rope's and Bush Craft

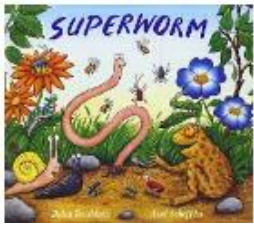
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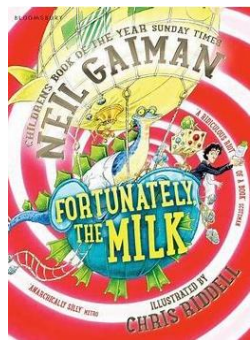
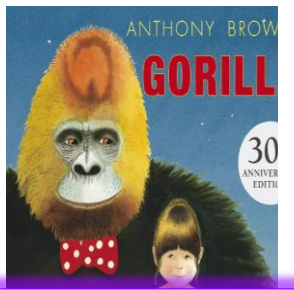
Super heroes and Super Me!

Can you help with our topic in Reception class this term? Can you come and talk to the children about the job that you have? We're looking for volunteers to come and talk to the children about different job roles in the community. You may also want to come and help them learn about this in their play i.e. builders, doctors and nurses role play, building inside and outside with the construction etc.

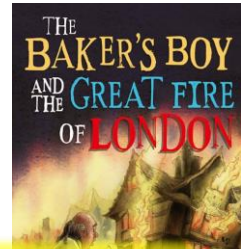
Reception Class Mystery Reader: In Term 3, we would like to invite parents or grandparents to come in and read a story to the class at 3.10pm at the end of the day as a 'mystery reader'. It will be a surprise for the children so please don't mention to them if you are coming in! If you would like to sign up to read, please email Miss Cox (yearr@becket.n-somerset.sch.uk) to let Miss Cox know which date you would like to come in. You are welcome to share one of your favourite children's stories or you can choose one from school.



In Reception we will be enjoying and exploring a variety of books linked to our topic 'Superheroes and Super Me!' Our key texts are: Superworm by Julia Donaldson, Supertato by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet, Juniper Jupiter by Lizzy Stewart, The Great Race by Emily Hiles and Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram



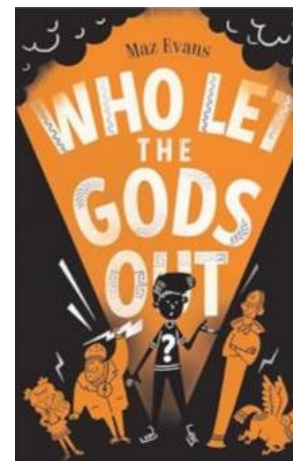
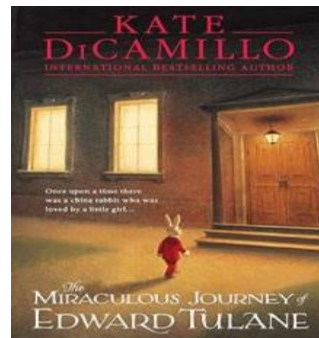
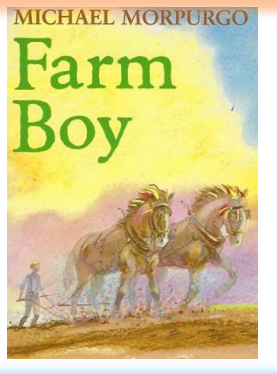
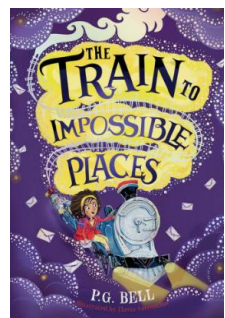
Year 2 will be looking at Fortunately the Milk by Neil Gaiman and Gorilla by Anthony Browne



In Year 1 we will be looking at lots of Great Fire of London books, The Great Fire of London: An Illustrated History of the Great Fire of 1666 and the Bakers Boy and the Great Fire of London.

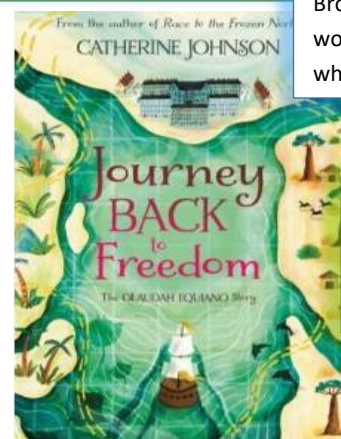
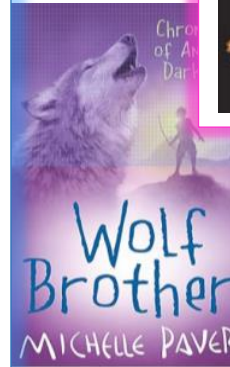
Year 3 are currently reading Train to Impossible Places by P.G Bell. We are enjoying this creative, fantastical story and cannot wait to find out more during story time. Once we have finished Train to Impossible Places, we will be moving on to Farm Boy by Michael Morpurgo. We are looking forward to reading this wonderful story together.

This term in year 4 we are reading the adventure story 'The miraculous journey of Edward Tulane' by Kate DiCamillo. We will then read 'Who let the Gods out?' by Maz Evans next term when we begin our learning on the Ancient Greeks.



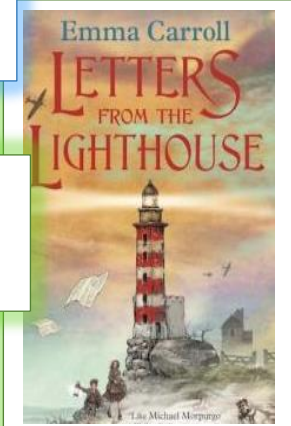
Year 5 - We began reading 'Wonder' last term and will continue reading it this term. The book explores a variety of themes that the children can relate to. The humour in the book has many laugh out loud moments which the children have enjoyed. It also has a more serious message around perception and judgement of individuals.

In Term 4 we will embark on our next class text 'Wolf Brother' a gripping text that is about a terrifying quest in a world of wolves, tree spirits and hidden people. A world in which trusting a friend means risking your life.



This term year 6 are reading the Journey Back to Freedom. This book interlinks with our History topic of The British Empire and Slavery.

In term 4, year 6 will be reading Letters from the Lighthouse.



Polite reminders and useful information:

- Reminder: Children are parent's responsibility from the time we hand over at the end of the day.
- Please ensure you park safely and respectfully when dropping off or picking up children.
- Please make sure all clothing and coats are named.
- Please note that no persons under the age of 16 may collect children at the end of the day.
- Please remember that Becket School has a no nuts policy.
- Please do not allow children to play in the pre-school area afterschool. This area is for pre-school only.
- All children in Reception, year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal as part of the Universal Free School Meal campaign.
- If you claim qualifying benefits your child may be entitled to Free School Meals. Please follow the link to see if you are entitled. <https://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/schools-learning/local-schools/free-school-meals>
- Aspens – to book your child's school meals please visit <https://select.aspens-services.com/>
- Breakfast club is available daily from 7.45am and must be pre booked on <https://app.parentpay.com/>

2023-2024 Term dates, insets and important dates

Term 3 ends - Friday 09 February 2024

7th February – Year 3 Tobogganing and Frisbee golf

5th February – Year 4 Low Ropes and Bush Craft

6th February – Year 5 Caving and Climbing

8th February – Year 6 Low ropes and Archery

Term 4 - Monday 19 February 2024 to Thursday 28 March 2024

Inset 19th February

Term 5 - Monday 15 April 2024 to Friday 24 May 2024

Term 6 - Monday 03 June 2024 to Tuesday 23 July 2024

Inset 23rd July

Mrs Amos – Executive Head

Miss Bembridge – Head of School

