Library News | Junior School

National Simultaneous Storytime
Next Wednesday 22 May is National Simultaneous Storytime. NSS is an event that celebrates and encourages a love of reading, and the importance of reading aloud to children of all ages! Schools, public libraries and preschools around the country will read the same book simultaneously. Always a highlight of our events calendar, the Junior School is busy getting ready to participate for the fifth year in a row, alongside the Senior and Preparatory Schools.

This year’s NSS book is ‘Alpacas with Maracas’ by Matt Cosgrove - so you can expect music, dancing, laughter and, as always, a special guest (or two)! All boys in the Junior School will participate, and Year 2 have already been busy preparing for the day by making their own papier mâché maracas in Library!

Next week we will share the details of the day and plenty of photos and video, both in the Junior School Newsletter at the end of the week, as well as on the day through our Junior School Library Instagram channel @tgsjuniorlibrary.

Library Champions Profile

For the next six weeks we will be profiling one of our Library Champions in the Junior School Newsletter. One of the leadership opportunities offered to Year 6 students is the role of Library Champion, and this year we are excited to have six students taking on this role of responsibility. So far, the boys have done a wonderful job with tasks including shelving, loaning out and returning books, setting up for and packing up after assembly every Monday and assisting younger students to find books, as well as providing display ideas and collection suggestions.

This term we will go on an excursion to Kinokuniya bookstore in the city, to allow the boys to select books to add to the Library collection, as one of the key elements of their role is providing student voice within collection development.

We thought you may like to know a little more about who our Library Champions are, what they like most about the role and, of course, their ‘must read’ suggestions for you.

Ewan Fouracre
What do you most enjoy about being a Library Champion?

I really enjoy setting up for events such as assembly, and helping by doing shelving and stuff like that.

What would you like to achieve this year as a Library Champion?

I would like to setup some really cool book displays and hopefully get more students to come to the Library.

What is your favourite genre to read?

Fantasy

What book do you think everyone should read at least once?

Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone

What was your favourite picture book when you were younger?

The Gruffalo

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