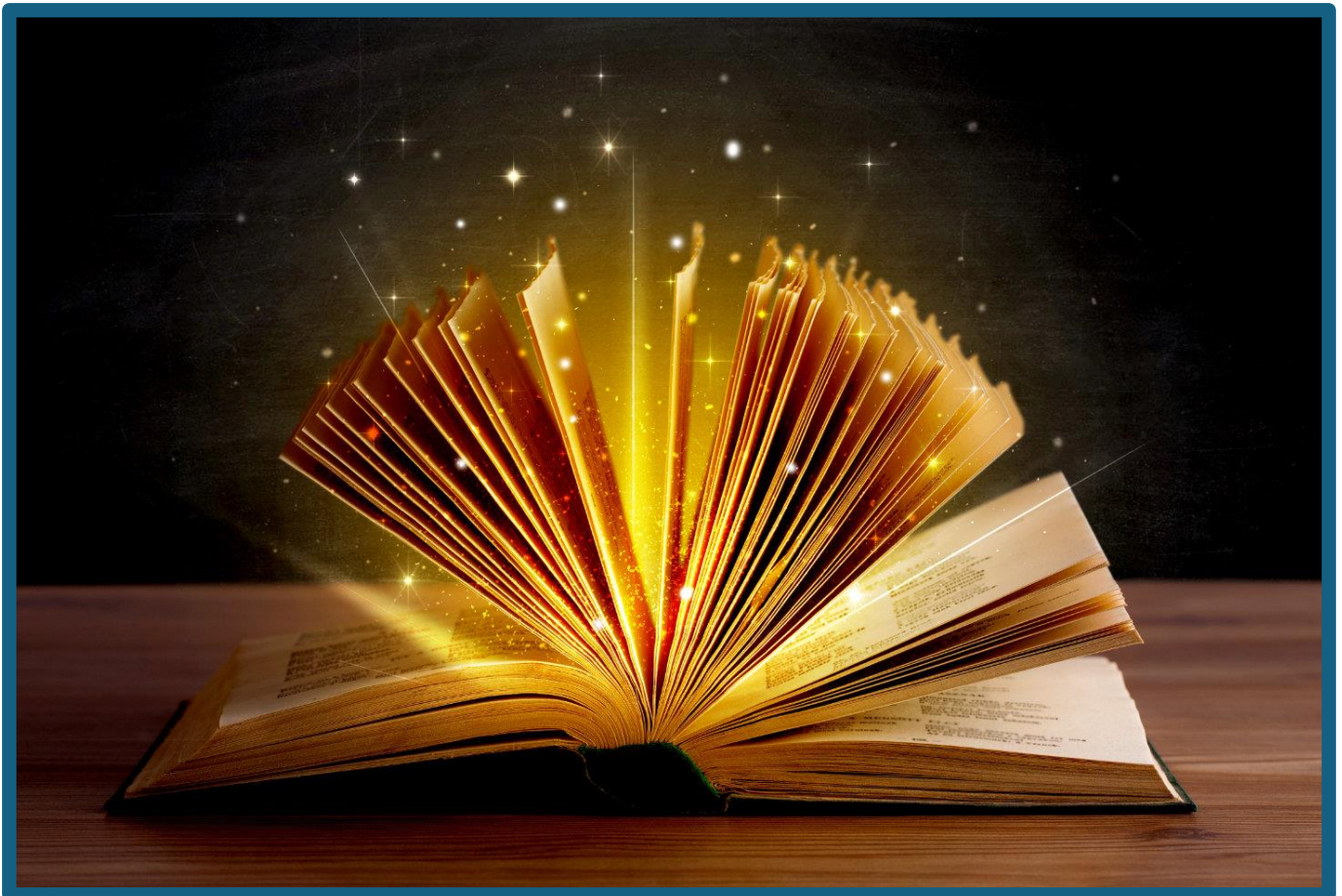
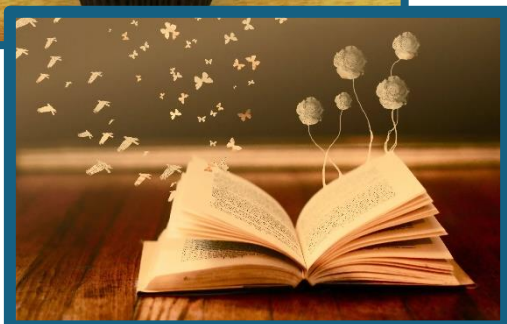
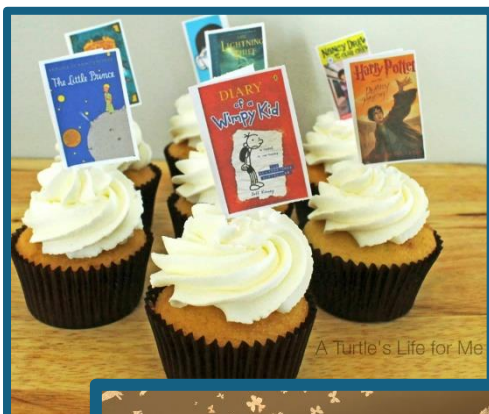


Welcome to the SJS Autumn Open Afternoon



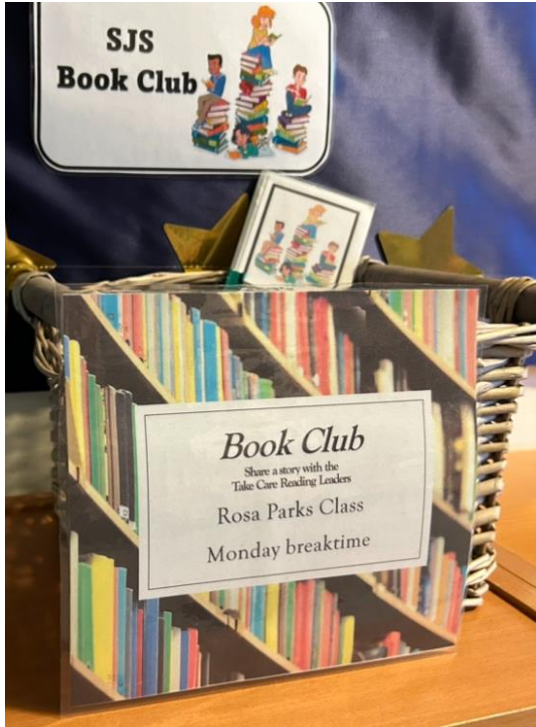
A very warm welcome to our SJS families,

We are so pleased to invite you to join us in school to meet the staff and see how your children have settled into their new year groups. This is a lovely opportunity to spend some time in school with your child and find out a little bit more about what they have been up to. Our main focus for this event is reading, along with other initiatives to get the school community working together to give your children the very best opportunities possible throughout their time here at SJS.



Help yourselves to tea, coffee and cake and enjoy some of the activities and competitions we have for you to enjoy, as well as a story or two!

How do we encourage reading at SJS?



Reading is a school development **priority** and happens daily in all classes.

Reading books are **accessible** outside at playtimes every day.

Phonics for decoding – we are now using Little Wandle in line with Manor Park Infant School and are initiating a rapid catch-up program for any children who still need phonics lessons.

We have **Reading Leaders** and **Reading Club** every Monday at playtime with Mrs Sansom.

Reading for pleasure – story time happens in classes each day.

Reading assemblies – usually on Mondays we share a story and celebrate reading!

Certificates, free books for Gold readers and reading **breakfast/brunch/afternoon tea** for Platinum readers each half term!

QUICK WINS for reluctant readers!

Turn On Subtitles! *“Turning on the subtitles while children are watching screens can double the chances of a child becoming good at reading!”*
National Literacy Foundation.

Make reading part of daily life. Children copy the adults in their lives so set a great example by treating yourself to a quick read when you get a quiet moment.

Let them read what they enjoy. Cereal packets, joke books and Top Trumps all count. For more advanced readers, consider non-fiction, comics and graphic novels. Books that seem too young can be comforting;

conversely, books that seem too old are fine, too. The novelty factor of an e-reader could jump-start an interest in reading!

Integrate interests.
A book about



football might entice someone who prefers pitches to pages – or a cartoon universe encyclopaedia could tempt a TV fan.

Talk about it!

How can you help?

Donate a book for children to enjoy!



Our mission is to get every child to LOVE reading, so the more books the merrier! Children should read at least three times per week at home. Reading is the MOST important home-learning you can do.

Parent book swap in reception!



Please feel free to take a book and we welcome donations, so please to fill the stand!

Children who see their parents as readers are more likely to become readers themselves.

Design a Class Reading Pet Competition!

Can you design a class reading pet for your class?

The winning design for each class will be voted for and made into a real reading pet for the class, so everyone always has someone to read to!



How else can parents get involved?

Sign up to join the Friends of Sherbrooke Parent Teacher Association (FoS PTA) to help organise and run fun, fundraising activities such as discos, film nights or school fayres. Please see Mrs Ramsden for more details.

Become a parent Governor and use your skills and experience to ensure that pupils get the best possible education.

Become a Midday Supervisor to support the children during their lunch break.

Give the gift of time to come into school to read, bake, sew, garden or whatever skills and interests you have to offer, as a one off or regular visitor.

Inspire our future generation by coming in to talk to the children about the work you do or a hobby you enjoy. Let's widen the horizons and aspirations of our young minds to the endless possibilities the world has to offer.

PTO to sign up!

Expression of interest

Please let us know how you would like to support the SJS community

☐ I would love to join the FoS PTA

☐ I am interested in becoming a parent Governor

☐ I am interested in becoming a MDS

☐ I can give the gift of time for the following activities

☐ I would love to come and inspire children by sharing my job and/or hobby, which is

My
name

My child's name

My contact number
