

## **Barr Beacon School's Summer of Reading**






Our summer reading challenge is aimed at encouraging children to read six books, of all kinds, during their summer holiday.

Why does summer reading matter?

Summer reading encourages children to read for pleasure in the summer holidays to avoid the summer reading 'dip'. It is known that children who read books often at age 10, and more than once a week at age 16, gain higher results in maths, vocabulary and spelling tests when they get to GCSE compared to those who read less regularly. *(The Reading Agency 2019)*

So we want to hear about your 6 weeks of loving reading...

- Some suggestions that might interest you (and get you ready for year 7) include:
  - Read a Greek Myth/story based on legend
    - *Hercules; Jason and the Argonauts; Beowulf*
  - Read a fiction text written after 2000
    - *Noughts and Crosses; The Book Thief*
  - Read a text set in a different time period (fiction or non-fiction)
    - *War Horse; Private Peaceful; The Boy in Striped Pyjamas; Horrible Histories*
  - Read a Sci-Fi text (fiction or non-fiction)
    - *Hunger Games; Ender's Game*
  - Read a text (fiction or non-fiction) that is written in the form of a real world text type such as letters/diary
    - *The Diary of Anne Frank; Because You'll Never Meet Me*
  - Read a gothic text
    - *Frankenstein; The Picture of Dorian Gray; The Grim Grotto*

Year 7 Curriculum Outline							
AUTUMN 1		AUTUMN 2		SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
Bridging unit: Greek myths (short stories)	Modern Prose Study: Analysis of characters and exploration of language	Christmas themed lessons 	Introduction to Shakespeare: Shakespeare's life/context; Shakespeare's plays 	Non-Fiction Texts: Exploring structure and literacy techniques 	Reading for meaning: Conflict within poetry 	Genre study: The Gothic 	



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Form: \_\_\_\_\_

Category/Genre (may be taken from the list above):	The book I read was:	My star rating:	Three words to describe it are:
<i>Example: Gothic text</i>	<i>Dracula</i>	★ ★ ★ ★ ☆	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Chilling</i></li> <li>• <i>Dark and menacing</i></li> <li>• <i>Suspenseful</i></li> </ul>
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Submit this to the Reading Box in the iCentre when you arrive in September to have the chance to be included in the prize draw for a Kindle!

If you have completed all 6, not only will you enter the prize draw, but you will also earn House Points, be able to claim Reading Commendations and receive your own House themed bookmark!