

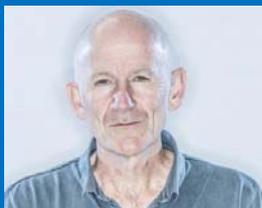
Reading Matters!

March 2014

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to update you on further news regarding reading at Coit Primary School.

Recently we have held a number of themed events for reading across school. In January, we were lucky enough to welcome **Jonathan Meres**, a well known and respected author, into our school. He gave a talk to Key Stage 2 classes before holding a question and answer session with pupils. As a result of his enthusiastic and well received talk, we purchased some signed guided reading sets of his book series, "World Of Norm." - We hope every child gets the opportunity to enjoy his books while a Coit!



On Thursday, 20th February, we also hosted the poet **Andy Tooze**. He brought his enthusiasm and passion for poems of all sorts into each and every classroom. Over the day he encouraged pupils of all ages and abilities to craft and perform their very own poems. At the end of a very special day, Andy held an assembly where we shared some of the excellent work that had been produced on the day.



Remember, it is **World Book Day** on the 6th March!
Come dressed as your favourite book character. Who will you be?

Over the spring term, our reading targets will continue. **Understanding and Responding to Stories and Poems will be the focus until Easter. When reading with your child you can support them in achieving these targets by helping them to understand how words and phrases help us to comprehend texts. Please refer to the targets, attached to this letter.**

We hope you are finding the 'reading zoo strategies' useful at home when supporting the decoding of words with your child. This helpful sheet is found inside your child's reading record. **Please continue to model them with your child and encourage them to adopt the strategies**, as developing a range of strategies for decoding makes for more confident readers!