## **INSPIRE BULLETINS 2025 – ISSUE 9 – 24th June 2025**

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK** – "All experience is an arch to build upon." Henry Adams

**WORDS OF THE WEEK- Ecstatic (adjective):** Feeling very happy, full of joy – *My friend won the lottery, she is ecstatic* 

**Relinquish (verb):** to voluntarily cease to keep or claim; to give up – *The dog relinquished her grip on the chew toy.* 

Can you write a sentence using these words? This is a good way of checking you understand the word!

**BOOKS OF THE WEEK Year 3/4-Fly Me Home by Polly Ho-Yen** - As she struggles to adjust to life in a new country, Leelu dreams of flying back home to her father and the life she left behind. London is grey and cold, there's concrete everywhere; she doesn't want to be here. Leelu feels so lonely – but she's not alone. Soon she discovers someone is leaving gifts for her, wondrous gifts that bring her curious magical powers. Will they help her find her way home? Filled with magic, family and friendship, this is an unforgettable and moving tale of one family's battle to belong.

Year 5/6 -The Girl Who Stole an Elephant Chaya by Nizrana Farook - a no-nonsense, outspoken hero, leads her friends and a gorgeous elephant on a noisy, fraught, joyous adventure through the jungle where revolution is stirring and leeches lurk. Will stealing the queen's jewels be the beginning or the end of everything for the intrepid gang?

Would you like to write a synopsis of your favourite book or a book you have read? Please tell us about it at Inspire Club or e mail to us at Widening Horizons at GNicholson@Kendrick.reading.sch.uk - Don't forget you can borrow books for free from your local library!

## **CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK**

Year 3/4 - What has hands but cannot clap?

Years 5/6 - This starts with a T, ends with a T, and is filled with tea – what is it?

Answers next issue!

Answers to Challenge of the week from Issue 8 Thinking Challenges Answers

Years 3/4

1. 31 2.24 3.40

Years 5/6

600 (-100, -50 repeating pattern) 130 (leapfrogging +30, +20 each time) 69 (double and -1 each time) 55 (add the 2 previous numbers)







