



Inspire Bulletin 59 – 1st Dec 2023



A very warm welcome to the next Inspire Bulletin! We hope you enjoy reading it!

Words of the week

Bamboozle (verb): to cheat or fool – *The year 5 pupil **bamboozled** the school with her magic tricks in the talent show*

Vulnerable (adjective): exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed, physically or emotionally – *The charity works with **vulnerable** children and young people*

Can you write a sentence using these words?

Challenge Word! Anachronism (Noun) - a chronological inconsistency in a work of art or opinion – *It is **anachronistic** to suggest women in the 1920s had lots of employment opportunities.*

The soldier wearing a wristwatch in the film Julius Caesar is a terrible **anachronism** as they weren't invented until centuries later! Origin of this word: mid 17th century, from Greek 'anakhronismos', from ana - 'backwards' + 'khronos – time

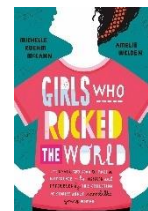
Thinking Challenges

Year 3/4 – No matter how much rain comes down on it, it won't get any wetter. What is it?

Year 5/6 – What English word sounds exactly the same, even after you take away four of its five letters?

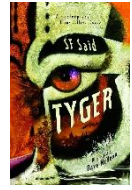
Recommended Reading

Year 3/4 - Girls Who Rocked the World by Michelle Roehm McCann & Amelie Welden - Get ready to meet some incredible young women who made their mark on the world before turning twenty and prove that when it comes to having an impact, there's no such thing as too young!



From Florence Nightingale to Anna Pavlova, Coco Chanel to Eva Perón, the Brontë Sisters to Indira Gandhi, this book features women from across history and around the globe, who have all achieved remarkable things. Interspersed with the amazing accounts of girls throughout history are stories of powerful young women who are changing the world right now - **It's never too soon to start making a difference - be inspired and empowered by this fun collection that shows girls really can rock the world!**

Years 5/6 - Tyger by SF Said -Adam has found something incredible in a rubbish dump in London. A mysterious, mythical, magical animal. A TYGER. And the tyger is in danger. Adam and his friend Zadie are determined to help, but it isn't just the tyger's life at stake. Their whole world is on the verge of destruction. Can they learn to use their powers before it's too late? **Winner of British Book Awards Children's Fiction Book of the Year 2023.**



Maths

Let's carry on with some mental maths this week! This is maths that you do in your head! Try and do it as quickly as you can!

Year 3/4 1. $276 + 100 =$ 2. $56 + 70 =$ 3. $698 - 300 =$ 4. $34 \times 10 =$ 5. $48 \div 4 =$

Year 5/6 1. $1457 + 100 =$ 2. $164 - 80 =$ 3. $88 \div 4 =$ 4. $34 \times 8 =$ 5. $99 + 97 =$

Wellbeing

Wizard's Room –



Close your eyes, be very still and imagine you are standing in a room filled with all kinds of magical things. This room belongs to a friendly old wizard. Have a look on the shelves and you will see hundreds of dusty books of spells. There are also rows and rows of brightly coloured liquids – each one is a very special magic potion. On the table, you can see a crystal ball. Rub your hands over the round globe: it feels so smooth and cold to touch. Look into the crystal ball and you will see grey clouds of smoke swirling inside the glass. Slowly, the clouds start to part, and you see shapes and figures inside the crystal ball.

When you are ready, step away from the table and you will find a beautiful black cat. Her hair is so soft and she is trusting and friendly. The cat softly purrs and you stroke her silky dark fur. Then she starts to move: it is as if she is taking you somewhere. She shows you a secret door behind the bookcase. You decide to go through the door. What amazing and magical things do you find behind the door?

Maybe you meet some wizards who teach you magic spells, or maybe the door leads to a magical colourful land. Where does the door lead you? Wherever it leads, you can be sure of having a magical time, full of surprises. When you are ready, come back through the secret door, slide the bookcase back into place, and creep through the wizard's room.

And now, when you are ready, wiggle your fingers and toes, have a big stretch and open your eyes.

Poem of the week

Why don't you open a book and see what happens!!



I Opened A Book by Julia Donaldson

I opened a book and in I strode
Now nobody can find me.
I've left my chair, my house, my road,
My town and my world behind me.

I'm wearing the cloak, I've slipped on the ring,
I've swallowed the magic potion.
I've fought with a dragon, dined with a king
And dived in a bottomless ocean.

I opened a book and made some friends.
I shared their tears and laughter
And followed their road with its bumps and
bends
To the happily ever after.

I finished my book and out I came.
The cloak can no longer hide me.
My chair and my house are just the same,
But I have a book inside me.

Inspiring Women

Emma Chapman British Physicist

Emma Chapman is a British physicist and Royal Society Dorothy Hodgkin Research Fellow at Imperial College London. Her research investigates reionization, the time in the universe when the stars began to radiate light. In November 2020 Chapman published her first book, *First Light: Switching on Stars at the Dawn of Time*.



And finally ...

Thought of the week

"The best thing for being sad is to learn something. That's the only thing that never fails. That is the only thing which the mind can never exhaust, never alienate, never be tortured by, never fear or distrust, and never dream of regretting. Learning is the only thing for you. Look what a lot of things there are to learn..." - **from *The Once and Future King* by T.H. White**

ANSWERS

Thinking Challenges

Years 3/4- Water

Years 5/6 - Queue

Maths

Years 3/4 - 1. 376 2. 126 3. 398 4. 340 5. 12

Years 5/6 - 1. 1467 2. 84 3. 22 4. 272 5. 196