

Crompton House School Library



Newsletter – No6

Encourage your child to read for 10 minutes every day. It can be a book, magazine, comic, newspaper, or blog. Reading for 10 minutes every day is proven to help improve literacy levels, relax and unwind, improve memory and concentration and importantly help with our mental health and wellbeing!

BOOK REVIEW



D-Day Dog – Tom Palmer

Animals/Dogs/Historical/Wars/Friendship

Ages: 9 – 12 and great for reluctant readers however I am an adult and I loved it!

Jack can't wait for the school trip to the D-Day landing beaches. It's his chance to learn more about the war heroes he has always admired - brave men like his dad, who is a reserve soldier. But when his dad is called up to action and things at home spiral out of control, everything Jack believes about war is thrown into question. Finding comfort only in the presence of his loyal dog, Finn, Jack is drawn to the heart-wrenching true story of one D-Day paratrooper. On 6 June 1944, Emile Corteil parachuted into France with his dog, Glen - and Jack is determined to discover their fate.

An amazing read!!

This Week's Activity – Great British Bunting

Click <u>here</u> for information on VE Day celebrations and how to make Great British Bunting to display in your home on Friday 8th May through to Sunday 10th May celebrating 75 years when the guns fell silent at the end of the war. You can share photos of your creations on social media using hashtags #GreatBritishBunting, #VEDay75 and #BBCMakeaDifference.





Great websites

- Tom Palmer author of D Day Dog and many more fantastic books has a brilliant website packed full of resources and activities. His new book 'After the War' based on the Windermere Children is due for release in August and there are some great VE Day activities based around this story. Click <u>here</u> to access.
- Audiobook SYNC are giving free access to free teen audio books per week right through until the end of July! For more information and details on how click <u>here</u>
- Click <u>here</u> for the Toppsta 30 Day Reading challenge on Toppsta.com. There lots of recommendations on books to read for the challenge and prizes to be won when completed!

Competition Time! Write a poem about our 'Key Workers' and win a prize!

Write a poem about the wonderful work our amazing '**Key Workers**' are carrying out every day to help keep everyone safe. Health and Social Care, Education, Food Chain workers, Religious Staff or any other key workers currently doing a fantastic job. It could be about a member of your family and friend a teacher or just your general thoughts and feelings. **There will be prizes!!!** You can email your poems to me on <u>c.cullen@cromptonhouse.org</u> by 1st June 2020.





Share Your Creations with me - Mrs. Cullen!

This newsletter is not homework it is simply to give you guidance, ideas and fun activities to share with your children and for yourselves during this difficult time. If, however you would like to share a book review, activities, artistic creations or any other literacy related ideas, I would love to see them. I would like to create a **'When We Stayed at Home'** display in the school library so that soon, we can all look back on this period with a smile for all the positive things our students and children are doing.

You can contact/tweet me and email reviews etc. on the details below. Happy reading and take care!

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