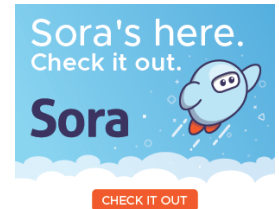




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It's great to welcome all our young people back to a brand-new school year at CHS and a huge warm welcome to our new year 7 students, I can't wait to meet you in the school Learning Zone. This newsletter was originally created for lockdown; however, I would like to continue with sending out an issue on a fortnightly basis and hope that you continue to enjoy all it has to offer!

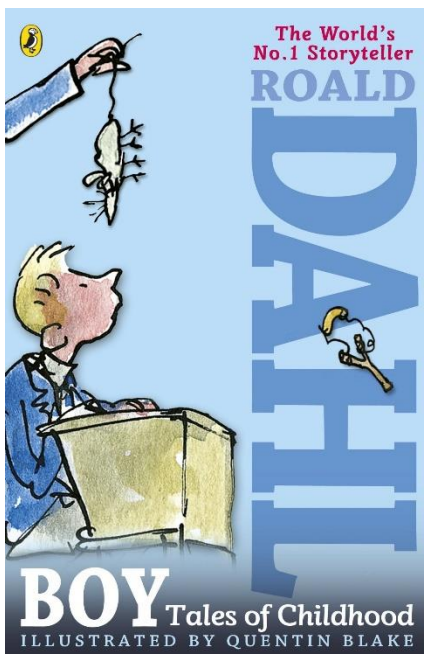
September 13th is Roald Dahl Day and I'd like to start the new school year with a celebration of Roald Dahl. I hope you enjoy this issue!

Remember 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!

Boy – Roald Dahl

BOOK REVIEW

Non-Fiction/Autobiography/Family/Adventure



Find out about Roald Dahl's earlier life in his fantastic bestselling autobiography BOY.

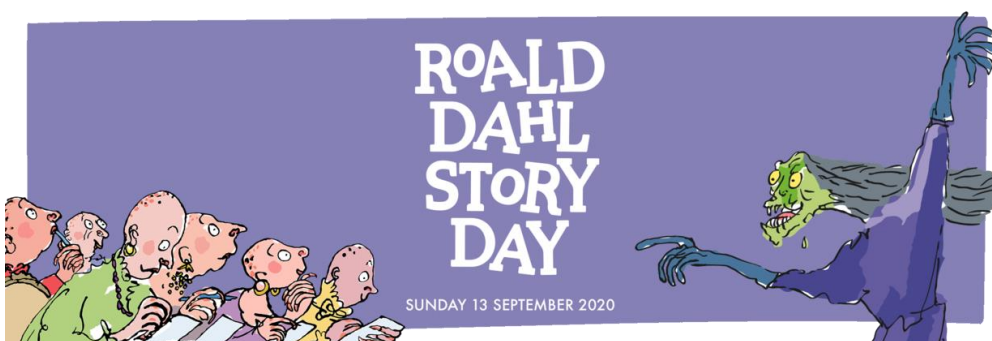
It is full of hilarious anecdotes about his childhood and school days, illustrated by Quentin Blake. As a boy, all sorts of unusual things happened to Roald Dahl. There was the time he and four school friends got their revenge on beastly Mrs Pratchett in her sweet shop.

There are stories of holidays in fishing boats, African adventures and the days of tasting chocolate for Cadbury's. You'll hear tales of horrible school bullies and the motor-car accident when Roald's nose was nearly sliced clean off . . . Roald Dahl vividly shares his memories; some are funny. Some are painful. Some are unpleasant. All are true.

This is a brilliant book I recommend for all ages not just kids! It gives you an insight into where a lot of his ideas and characters came from based on real life events.

Roald Dahl Day – 13th September 2020

We are never too old for Roald Dahl; I absolutely love his stories even now as an adult. Every September marks a celebration of our favourite Roald Dahl characters, stories and moments together with fans the world over. This year's global celebration of Roald Dahl stories will be marked on the 13th September as Roald Dahl Story Day! You can find out more [here](#).



This Issues Activity

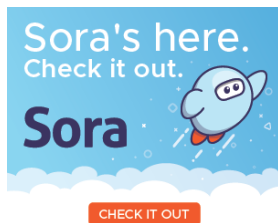
Roald Dahl is famous for creating his own unique language 'Gobblefunk' sometimes used in his books, The BFG is a great example. Made-up words might sound a bit "prosposterous" (that's "ridiculous") but there is a whole dictionary dedicated to these invented words, we have a copy in the school library.

'Chidlers' (that's you children) write a short story or a poem about an activity, event, or something you enjoyed during the summer holidays and incorporate your own made up 'Gobblefunk' words. You can find out more about it and how to create your own words [here](#).



Great websites and Information

- Sora - Crompton House have provided our students with access to a fabulous online library where you can read over 2000 titles 24/7 free! For an overview of the app click [here](#)
- Topsta is one of our favourite websites for fabulous literacy based ideas, you can access it [here](#).
- Literacy Trust is a great website for activities, recommendations and lots more see [here](#).



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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 at home. It was originally developed for lockdown, but I would like to continue to send you a fortnightly copy with new literacy related information and activities. 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.

You can contact/tweet me and email reviews etc. on the details below.

Those who don't believe in magic will never find it!! - Roald Dahl.

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